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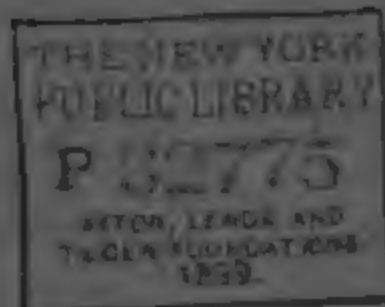
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ON

Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9th, 10th and 11th days of September,

1841.

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CANON IV.

Attendance on Convention, and Requisites for the Admission of Lay-Deputies.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every Church or Congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the Church or Congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows — viz :

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church
held on the day of A. B. who
is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Dele-
gate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church
in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the day of in the
Signed

Parishes already incorporated [1835] are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of incorporation or association.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

SEPTEMBER, 1841.

The Right Rev. CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Gambier.

The Rev. ETHAN ALLEN, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

The Rev. BENJAMIN P. AYDELOTT, D. D., President of Woodward College, Cincinnati.

The Rev. NORMAN BADGER, Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.

The Rev. ALFRED BLAKE, B. D. Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.

The Rev. JAMES BONNAR, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

The Rev. ABRAHAM BRONSON, Rector of Bethel Church, Boston.

The Rev. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

The Rev. JOHN T. BROOKE, Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. JOHN L. BRYAN, officiating in Windsor and Hartsgrove.

The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

The Rev. RICHARD BURY, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. ANSON CLARK, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

The Rev. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. M. K. CUSHMAN, Minister of Zion's Church, Dresden, and St. Matthew's Church, Madison.

The Rev. GEORGE DENNISON, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rev. G. S. DAVIS, Minister of Christ Church, Franklin, and Missionary under the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society.

The Rev. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Missionary of Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society in Gallia county, and Minister of St. David's.

The Rev. JOSHUA T. EATON, Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman.

The Rev. S. ELDER, Minister of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Missionary under the Diocesan Committee.

The Rev. CHARLES FOX, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

The Rev. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

The Rev. LYMAN FREEMAN, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.

The Rev. JOHN FOSTER, residing at Lebanon.

The Rev. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. RICHARD GRAY, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and Missionary under the Diocesan Committee.

The Rev. ALVAH GUION, officiating at St. Phillip's, Strongville.

The Rev. STEPHEN G. GASSAWAY, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

The Rev. JOHN HALL, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The Rev. WILLIAM F. HALSEY.

The Rev. ALBERT HELFENSTEIN, Senior, Missionary at St. Mary's, under the Diocesan Committee.

The Rev. JOHN HENSHAW, Missionary at Mile Creek, Coshocton county, under the Diocesan Committee.

The Rev. BURTON H. HICKOX, Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky City.

The Rev. HENRY V. D. JOHNS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. HUGH KELLY, Minister of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria, and Missionary under the Diocesan Committee.

The Rev. RICHARD S. KILLIN, Minister of St. James' Church, Piqua.

The Rev. JOSEPH LARGE, Minister of St. Paul's Church, Maumee City, and Missionary under the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society.

The Rev. EDWARD LOUNSBURY.

The Rev. SAMUEL MARKS, Rector of St. John's Church, Huron.

The Rev. ORRIN MILLER, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster.

The Rev. INTREPID MORSE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon.

The Rev. JAMES I. OKILL, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

The Rev. HENRY PAYNE, Minister of St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton, and Missionary under the Diocesan Committee.

The Rev. EPHRAIM PUNDERSON.

The Rev. EDWARD W. PEET.

The Rev. WILLARD PRESBURY, Minister of All Souls' Church, Springfield, and Missionary under the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The Rev. ALVAH SANFORD, Chaplain to the Granville Female Seminary.

The Rev. WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. JOHN SWAN, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire.

The Rev. JOHN SANDELS, Professor of the Latin and Greek Languages and Literature, in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. DAVID W. TOLFORD, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

The Rev. CHARLES C. TOWNSEND, Missionary under the Diocesan Committee in Trumbull county, residing at Warren.

The Rev. JOHN UFFORD.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VARIAN, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.

The Rev. ABRAHAM WHEELER, Minister of St. James' Church, Springfield, Jefferson county, and Missionary under the Diocesan Committee.

The Rev. M. T. C. WING, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary of Ohio, at Gambier. — Whole number, 58.

LIST OF CLERGYMEN

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

The Right Rev. CHARLES P. McILVAINE, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and President of the Theological Seminary of Ohio.

The Rev. THOMAS BARROW, Minister of St. Luke's Church, Columbia.

The Rev. JAMES BONNAR, B. D., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

The Rev. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

The Rev. JOHN T. BROOKE, Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

The Rev. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. ANSON CLARK, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

The Rev. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, B. D., Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

The Rev. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. STEPHEN G. GASSAWAY, B. D., Minister of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

The Rev. JOHN HENSHAW, B. D., Minister at Deersville, and neighboring parishes.

The Rev. HENRY V. D. JOHNS, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. INTREPID MORSE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. HENRY PAYNE, Minister of St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton.

The Rev. WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. JOHN SWAN, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire.

The Rev. CHARLES C. TOWNSEND, Missionary, St. Matthew's, and neighboring parishes.

The Rev. JOHN UFFORD, Minister of Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VARIAN, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.

The Rev. ABRAHAM WHEELER, St. John's, Springfield.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

All Souls' Church, Springfield,

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga,

*St. Mark's Church, Millcreek,
St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe,*

*St. James' Church, Cross Creek,
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,
Trinity Church, Columbus,
St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati,*

Grace Church, Cincinnati,

*St. Paul's Church, Steubenville,
All Saints' Church, Portsmouth,
Christ Church, Cincinnati,*

*St. Paul's Church, Akron,
St. James' Church, Zanesville,
St. Timothy's Church, Massillon,
St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton,*

Edward H. Cumming;

William Coles,

John Ludlow.

Orin Gilbert,

Jonathan James.

James Foster.

Henry Brush,

James S. Swearingen,

N. W. Thatcher.

John R. Bayliss.

D. B. Douglass.

J. A. Lazell.

D. K. Cady,

James S. Butler.

Dr. Daniel Drake,

Dr. John G. Wood.

John H. Vier.

Washington Kinney.

Bellamy Storer,

William Key Bond,

William H. H. Taylor.

Dr. E. W. Crittenden.

Dr. William Keith.

James L. Reynolds.

John Shaffer.

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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHILLICOTHE, OHIO, }
Thursday, September 9th, 1841. }

THIS being the time and place for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Ohio, Right Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with several Clergymen and Lay Delegates, assembled in St. Paul's Church, at half past 10 o'clock, A. M. Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson, and the Lessons for the day, by the Rev. William A. Smallwood, and the Ante-Communion Service by the Bishop.

A sermon was preached by the Rev. Alexander Varian. The Religious services being concluded, the Bishop took the chair, and called the Convention to order. A list of the Clergy constitutionally entitled to seats, was called by the Secretary of the last Convention, when the following persons answered to their names and took their seats.

The Right Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop.

Rev. Thomas Barrow,

Rev. William A. Smallwood.

James Bonnar,

John Swan,

Sherlock A. Bronson,

George B. Sturges,

John T. Brooke,

Charles C. Townsend,

Erastus Burr,

John Ufford,

Anson Clark,

Alexander Varian,

Thomas B. Fairchild,

Stephen G. Gassaway,

William Granville,

John Henshaw,

Henry V. D. Johns,

Abraham Wheeler,

Intrepid Morse,

Henry Payne.

The list of Parishes being called by the Secretary of the last Convention, the testimonials of lay delegates were laid on the table, and the Convention was declared by the Bishop to be duly organized.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to make choice of a Secretary, when William H. H. Taylor was declared to be unanimously elected, — Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D. having declined a re-election.

The Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson, Rev. John Ufford, and the Rev. William

Granville, were appointed a standing committee on the credentials of lay delegates.

Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, Rev. Erastus Burr, and Mr. Bellamy Storer, were appointed a committee on the admission of New Parishes.

Rev. John Swan and Rev. Anson Clark, were appointed a committee on unfinished business.

The following Resolution was offered by Mr. William Key Bond, and unanimously adopted, viz:

Resolved, That Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, Candidates for orders in the same, and lay readers in the Diocese, who may be in this city during the sittings of this Convention, and are not members thereof, be invited to its sittings, and the names entered on the journal.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at half past 3 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday, half past 3 o'clock, P. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and after prayer by the Bishop, proceeded to business.

On motion of Mr. William Key Bond, it was Resolved, That the rules of order adopted at the last Convention be adopted as the rules of order of the present Convention, and entered on the Journal.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. The business of every day shall be introduced with prayer.

II. The Minutes of the Journal of the preceding day shall be read immediately after the opening of Convention.

III. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VI. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, without leave of the House.

VII. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

VIII. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

IX. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

X. No motion shall be considered as before the House unless seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

XI. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XII. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XIII. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XIV. Immediately after the roll of the Clerical members is called, the names of the Parishes shall be called, and the lay delegates of each parish shall come forward and present their credentials, and thereupon the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized: the Secretary shall then be elected; after which, the President shall appoint a committee on the credentials of lay delegates, another on unfinished business, and then any other standing committees usually appointed by the Chair.

The following Annual Address was then delivered by the Right Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio.

ADDRESS.

BRETHREN: — We are again met together in the presence, and by the kind providence of God, to consult one with another, and to endeavor to help one another in regard to the promotion of the Gospel, through the ordinances of the church. Another year of stewardship to all of us, whether we be in the ministry or out of it has passed since we were last assembled. Again I have it to mention, as a subject of thankfulness to the Lord and Head of the church, that, during that period, none of our band of laborers in the diocese, have been called away from his work to give an account of his stewardship. The Lord would give us more time to do the work of evangelists—to make full proof of our ministry, to testify before the world, our love to his truth, and to be the honored instruments of turning many to righteousness. May we all diligently redeem the time, keeping in mind that if the Lord delayeth his coming, out of mercy to us, and those to whom we are sent, nevertheless *he cometh*, he cometh to call us to his bar, to take knowledge of our ministry. The time cannot be far off when some of us must meet Him, and know, whether having preached to others, they themselves shall be cast away, or be accounted as good stewards of his manifold grace. The annual return of our convention, when we come together to report our doings, and to encourage one another in our work, should promote in us serious considerations of the near approach of that great and universal assemblage after which each will go to his own place of happiness or misery: that gathering together of the shepherd and the flocks, when every act, every word, every motive of our ministry, all opportunities of usefulness unimproved, all falling short of the faithful delivery of the message of God to sinners, all lack of zeal in warning the impenitent, and in promoting the growth of the children in God in grace, must be answered for. Blessed he who shall then be approved as a good and faithful servant,

having put his talents to usury, and made increase to the glory of his Master. He shall have place in "the general assembly and church of the first born whose names are written in heaven."

Under the influence of these thoughts, it behoves me to look back upon my official labors, during the past year. One thing I can truly say with St. Paul, "I have been with you," brethren, nearly all of you, and your several flocks, during the year, "*in much weakness*," "and my speech and my preaching have not been with enticing words of man's wisdom." How far they have been "with the demonstration of the Spirit and of power," only God knows: but I have truly sought, always to preach the gospel, as fully in its solemn and awful application to the impenitent and disobedient, as simple in its preciousness and beauty and glory to the penitent and believing follower of Christ, as possible. I look back, and consider how much of the seed of the word I have been permitted to sow since we last met, in how many places, in what a variety of soils, — I thank God for such a privilege, the honor of being allowed to preach the gospel to so many souls, many of whom drawn by the novelty of a Bishop's visitation, were induced to attend and hear the word at his lips, whose years are ordinarily spent in utter neglect of the means of grace. May God regard that seed, give it growth, though it be long unseen: and while you, brethren, have your respective fields immediately under your eye, so that the joy of seeing the fruits of your ministry, in the conversion of sinners, and the ripening piety of the children of God, often gladdens your hearts, and gives praise to your prayers; I "through your prayers and the supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ," may have joy in the great day in beholding, that though often sowing by the way-side, and on the rock, and amidst thorns, my labor has not been in vain in the Lord.

Time allows me to go into no farther account of my official doings than a concise statement in outline. My narrative must begin with the Sunday which we last passed together at the close of the convention at Mount Vernon, August the 9th, 1840. On that day, you witnessed the ordination of Rev. John Ufford, and George B. Sturges, to the office of priesthood, and of Mr. John Sandalls, Mr. John Jay Okill, and Mr. John Henshaw, to the office of Deacon. After that, my first visitation was to the parish of St. Luke's, Granville, on Sunday, Sept. 13th, 1840, at which time I preached twice and confirmed twelve persons. On the evening of the same day, I preached in Trinity Church, Newark, then vacant. October 18th, (Sunday) I visited St. Matthews, Perry, and preached once. The Sunday following, the parish then just organized at Dresden, called the parish of Zion Church, where I preached twice. November 4th, visited St. Timothy's Church, Masilon, held three services, preached twice, and confirmed *sixteen*. Prospects of the church there much improved; number of persons who seemed to be earnestly engaged in the service of God, much increased.

November 6th, visited St. Paul's, Akron, then in charge of the Rev. Mr. Davis, now vacant; held three services, preached twice and confirmed *six*; the prospects of the parish were then encouraging. I believe it only needs a permanently settled as well as faithful minister in Akron, to build up a prosperous congregation on the foundation at present laid. November 7th, visited St. Johns, Cuyahoga Falls, preached twice and confirmed *eleven*; found the congregation much grown and all the interests of the Parish much improved. The ministry of Mr. Fairchild there seems to have been blessed of the Lord. Sunday, 8th, visited Christ Church, Franklin, preached twice and confirmed *twenty-three*, a large number for the size of the congregation; the parish is now vacant. The day following visited Bethel Church, Boston, preached once, confirmed *three*, and administered the Lord's Supper. Tuesday, 10th, visited St. Paul's, Medina, and met there the North-Eastern convocation, held three services, preached twice and confirmed *sixteen*. The next day, visited St. Stephen's, Grafton, held two services, preached once and confirmed *three*. The parish is now unsupplied, and greatly embarrassed by debt. Thursday, November 12, visited Christ Church, Liverpool, and preached same day in St. Luke's Church — consecrated the church and preached, and confirmed *one*: this little parish is now unsupplied. November 14, visited St. Philip's, Strongville, also unsupplied, preached once. Sunday, November 15, 16, and 17, visited the churches in Cleveland and Ohio City, preached twice in St. John's, Ohio City, and confirmed *five*; and three times in Trinity Church, Cleveland, and confirmed *twenty seven*. The congregation in Cleveland has greatly prospered during the last few years, while that in Ohio City, under great embarrassments, has made great efforts and succeeded in disencumbering itself, in a great degree, of a heavy debt: its prospects in spiritual things, under the faithful labors of its pastor and the divine blessing, are much improved. November 18th, visited St. John's, Dover, preached once, confirmed *three*, and ordained the Rev. D. W. Tolford of Ohio City to the office of priesthood, the Rev. Mr. Bury presenting, and the Rev. Mr. Granville with him assisting. November 19th, visited St. Andrews, Elyria, preached once and confirmed *two*. Next day, St. John's, Wakeman, preached, and confirmed *three*. The following day, Trinity Church, Lyme, and preached. That little parish, and the diocese generally, has since been bereaved in the death of one of its most devoted, intelligent, and exemplary laymen, Judge Woodward, at whose house I was then affectionately received, and who is now, I doubt not, accepted of God in Heaven, through Christ in whom he believed. Mr. Woodward was once a Trustee of our Diocesan Theological Seminary, frequently a delegate to our conventions, and always deeply interested in the welfare of the church, and the promotion of the truth. November 22, visited Grace Church, Sandusky City, preached twice, baptised an adult, and four children, and confirmed *eleven*. This parish seems to be putting on

strength in an encouraging degree. December 23d, visited St. James, Zanesville, lectured once, preached thrice, addressed the Sunday School, administered the Lord's Supper on Christmas day, and confirmed *eight*. Sunday, December 25th, and 26, visited Trinity Church, Columbus, lectured once, preached thrice, and confirmed *sixteen*. December 29th, on my way home, preached at night in Trinity Church, Newark. January 10th, 1841, preached in St. Paul's, Mount Vernon, and confirmed *eight*. February 21st, held a confirmation in the chapel of the Theological Seminary at Gambier, and confirmed *eight*. April 8th, visited St. John's, Worthington, and having in consequence of disappointment as to conveyance, arrived too late for the appointed services, which, however, were conducted by the Rev. Messrs. Sturges and Gassaway, I could assemble only a small congregation, which I addressed, and then administered confirmation to *five* persons. This parish, so long vacant, is expected to be supplied by a Diocesan missionary, soon after the present convention. April 9th, Good Friday, visited Grace Church, Berkshire, preached twice, and confirmed *three*: the parish prospering. Easter Sunday was spent at St. Peter's, Delaware, preached three times, once by request of the citizens of Delaware, in reference to the death of the late lamented President of the United States, of which we had just then been informed. *Nineteen* persons were confirmed at Delaware: the parish has been improving in all respects since its present minister took charge. On my way from Delaware to my next appointment, I stopped at Columbus, and preached a missionary sermon, after which a collection for missionary purposes was made. The congregation evinced great feeling at that time in the separation from them, of their much loved pastor, Mr. Preston. April 13th, visited St. Paul's, Chillicothe, preached once, and confirmed *eight*. The parish was just then taking leave of its late rector, the Rev. E. W. Peet, whose absence from this place at present, where we have been accustomed to receive his affectionate greeting, we cannot but regret. The parish is still vacant, why it should be I see not. May the Lord incline the hearts of our brethren here to be united in the selection and support of a faithful pastor, and that right early. From Chillicothe to All Saints, Portsmouth, preached three times, and confirmed *five*: the religious interests of this parish, the comfort and usefulness of its excellent Rector, and the honor of religion therein, sadly jeopardized by *political* differences among its members — differences which have no more right in such a place, than had the tables of the money changers in the temple, which the Saviour overturned: "*Take these things hence.*" Such things have no place in the household of faith: they are of the earth, earthy. Christians should know nothing among one another but "Jesus Christ, and him crucified." "The Lord is in his holy temple, let all the earth keep silence before him." — April 18th, 19th, and 20th, were given to the churches in Cincinnati:—on Sunday, 18th, preached in the morning at St. Paul's, and confirmed *twelve*: addressed in the afternoon a meeting in reference to Domestic Missions in Christ Church, called by the South-Western Convocation then meeting in Cincinnati:—at night preached in the same church: the day following met the congregation of St. Paul's for morning prayer, and in company with

other clergy, addressed them : at night preached at Christ Church, and confirmed *fifteen* : next night preached at St. Paul's ; the night following, preached to a congregation assembled in a Presbyterian Church, which had been rented for the use of certain Episcopalians, who were beginning the formation of a new parish in that part of the city. The enterprise, in connection with the ministry of the Rev. Dr. Colton, has since been highly encouraging. April 22d, visited St. Matthews, Hamilton, and preached twice ; the parish encumbered with debt for the building of the Church. April 25th, spent Sunday at Trinity Church, Troy : preached twice, and confirmed *six* : this parish has been strengthened during the last year under the ministry of the Rev. Mr. Okill. April 28th, visited St. James, Piqua, then in charge of the faithful, diligent laborer, who for many years had been its unwearied pastor, the Rev. Mr. Guon ; he is now absent from the diocese, though not disconnected from it. Preached in Piqua only once, being too unwell to do more, and confirmed *eleven*. May 2d, Sunday, visited Christ Church, Dayton, preached twice, and confirmed *three*. Next day, preached twice in the parish of All Soul's, Springfield, and confirmed *eight*. The prospects of the church in Springfield have assumed a more propitious aspect, and seem to promise that the patience and diligence of Mr. Presbury, will not be in vain.

On the day set apart for fasting and prayer with reference to the national affliction from God, in the death of our late excellent and revered Chief Magistrate, I preached, and endeavored to improve the event, in the morning at Gambier, and in the afternoon at Mount Vernon.

June 6th, visited St. Paul's, Utica, and preached twice. June 20th, St. Matthews, Perry, preached twice, confirmed *three*, and administered the Lord's Supper. June 25th, preached a funeral sermon in Mount Vernon. July 16th, visited St. Andrew's, Elyria, for the purpose of consecrating a new church : met there the North-Western Convocation, consecrated the church, held four services, preached twice, and confirmed *eight*. This small, but growing and interesting congregation, have made a considerable effort in the erection of a very neat, appropriate, and well-finished church, sufficiently large for present need, and I believe without danger of incumbrance from debt. It is at present supplied by a missionary, supported by the Convocation, but the means of which for that purpose are derived chiefly from that parish.

From Elyria I went to St. James', Painesville, and passed Sunday, July 18th, preached twice, administered the Lord's Supper, confirmed *five*, and catechised the children. The next day visited St. Michael's, Unionville, consecrated the church, preached, and confirmed *one* person. This parish is at present under the charge of the Rev. John Hall, Rector of the Church in Ashtabula. July 20th, visited St. Peter's, Ashtabula, held two services, preached once, and confirmed *five*. Next day, St. Matthew's, Plymouth, where I had in the service there, that of morning prayer and a sermon : this parish has a new church nearly completed, but is without pastoral care. Thence I visited St. Peter's, Rome, where I preached, and administered the Lord's Supper ; the new church in that parish is not sufficiently completed to be ready for

consecration ; no pastoral care over the parish. From thence visited Christ Church, Windsor : I had been previously so disheartened by the complicated dissensions of a personal, parish and neighborhood kind prevailing in that parish, that I had much doubted whether I would visit it again until the waters of strife were calmed. But I went this time. The Rev. Mr. Townsend read the service, and preached. I met the vestry for the purpose of ascertaining whether the state of things had improved since my former visit. Finding that there had been no material improvement, I was obliged to content myself with reproofing, exhorting and entreating, and so came away, after having said that I much questioned whether I would ever visit the parish again until these disgraceful quarrels should be healed. The parish is without a minister, while our excellent and veteran brother, the Rev. Mr. Bryan, lives therein, and every Sunday, out a sense of duty to his Master, preaches in the parish, and though in very straightened circumstances, receives nothing. From thence I travelled south, and stopped at Warren, where I preached in the Presbyterian Church. There is some encouragement there for an Episcopal minister. An itinerant preacher is greatly needed in that part of the diocese, for many small parishes, some of which have churches built, all of which may be greatly grown and strengthened, but no two of which can support a minister.

My next visit was to St. Stephen's, Canfield, and St. James', Boardman, two churches of the same parish ; spent Sunday, July 25th, in those churches, preaching once in each, and confirming three in that of Canfield. Under the very acceptable services of the Rev. Mr. Eaton, the state of this congregation is improved.

From Canfield I set out for Gambier, to be present at the Commencement of Kenyon College. It becomes me in thankfulness for God's preserving care, to record another of the many instances in which I have been saved from great injury, through the Lord's merciful providence. Suffice it to say, that a gentleman was conveying me to New Lisbon ; while watering the horse, the animal broke from his hold, having taken fright ; seeing no prospect of escape if I remained in, I leaped from the open buggy while it was at full speed, and fell upon my side and shoulder upon the hard ground. At first I was sensible of scarcely any injury, but ever since my right shoulder has remained much crippled, and is still nearly incapable of use. The carriage was broken to pieces, and turned upside down in a few seconds after I left it. Thus the Lord is gracious. On my way from New Lisbon to Gambier, I stopped at Wooster, where a parish has been organized since the last Convention, with encouraging prospects, and laid the corner-stone of a Church. On the Sunday following, I admitted to the order of deacons, in the Chapel of the Theological Seminary at Gambier, Mr. Richard S. Killen, a graduate of Kenyon College, and since a student of the Theological Seminary ; the candidate was presented by the Rev. Mr. Wing. On Sunday, July 15th, I visited Trinity Church, Newark, and preached twice ; owing partly to the lamented ill health of the minister of that parish, there were no candidates for confirmation. Sunday, July 29th, I visited the new parish of Zion Church, Dresden, organized since the last Convention, and bidding

fair to be one of those, which sustain the ministry in them. I preached twice in the Methodist Church, confirmed *five*, and administered the Lord's Supper. The day following, visited St. Matthew's, Madison Township, on the other side of the Muskingum; met the people in the Presbyterian Church, and preached.

This terminates the account of my visitation since the last Convention. In comparing the number of places visited, I find it much greater than that of the previous year, and of several other years. Probably, were I to examine, I should find that more visitation duty has been done during the last year, than in any year since I came to the Diocese. I mention this, because it was feared by myself and others, that the unusual amount of duty which temporarily devolved on me at Gambier, in connection with the Theological Seminary and College, would necessarily affect, to some extent, the visitation of the Diocese. I am thankful to say, that the Lord has blessed me since we last met, with such uninterrupted and unusual health, that, besides the much greater than usual amount of duty performed among the parishes, I have been enabled, besides sustaining the professorship of Ecclesiastical Polity in the Theological Seminary, which usually occupies me while at home, to take temporary charge of two others. During all the winter term of the College, President Douglass not arriving at Gambier till its close, I instructed the Junior and Senior classes, in the studies allotted to his department, and during the subsequent summer term, in the vacancy of the Professorship of Systematic Divinity in the Theological Seminary, I instructed in the usual course of the studies of that department. In addition to these duties, I have preached always once every Sunday while at home, at Gambier, and sometimes twice, lectured to the Congregation one night of each week, held a meeting, composed of students and officers of the institution, at my study, once a week, for prayer and familiar religious instruction, and sustained a monthly meeting, of a more general character, for prayer, with special reference to the promotion of the gospel in the world. Had I been told at the beginning of the year, that so much would have come upon me, I should have been alarmed. By working where I have been accustomed to rest, and visiting, when bad roads, and heat of weather, have hitherto caused me to lie by, I have been enabled to get on with great pleasure to myself, from the nature of the duties, and I may hope with usefulness to others. I am thankful for unaccustomed bodily health, after all.

The whole number of confirmations this year, is 305, being 110 greater than the number reported last year.

The number of ordinations since the last report is *seven*; — (the names have been given above) three to Priest's orders, and four to Deacons.

Three new churches have been consecrated: viz: St. Luke's, Columbia, St. Andrews, Elyria, and St. Michael's, Unionville.

The candidates for orders, in the diocese at present, are only *eight*. At

my last report, they were *fourteen*. Ordination has taken away *four* of those, death *another*, viz: Mr. Herman Russ, who died at Gambier, of pulmonary disease, last winter: *three* have withdrawn their names, having given up the idea of entering the ministry; another took a letter dimissory to Virginia, and has since been ordained in that diocese. To fill up these losses, only three candidates have been added to the list during the year, so that we have now only eight, viz: Charles E. Douglas, who is pursuing classical and scientific studies, with distinction in the University of Cambridge, England, Robert S. Elder, Joseph Large, Henry L. Richards, Albert T. McMurphy, Levi L. Holden, William Fagg, and Samuel L. Johnson: all of these, but Douglas and McMurphy, are connected with the Theological Seminary of the Diocese.

Brethren, it is a serious question, why it is that we have not more candidates for the labors and sacrifices of the ministry, from the parishes of this Diocese. Have any gone from Ohio, and become candidates elsewhere? We know of but one instance of this, and in that, the motive was to get ordained sooner than I was willing to ordain. Are the attractions of the ministry for any but those who have a strong desire to endure hardness for Christ's sake, becoming so diminished among us; or is there so little of that efficacy of the word, which not only converts sinners to the gospel, but causes them, when converted, to desire no better portion than to be permitted to preach the gospel wherever the Lord may appoint; — is this efficacy of the word so feeble in our parishes, as to account for the small number of aspirants for the glorious work of a preacher of the gospel? Something is greatly wanting, when so few are ready to stand forth, trusting conscientiously, that they are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost, to take on them this office and ministration. At least, we are loudly called upon to pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth laborers into his harvest. While the number of candidates for orders in all our Western Dioceses shall continue so small as it has ever been, it will not lessen our obligation to provide for the education of the ministry by the faithful support of our Theological Seminary; but it must teach us to estimate its prosperity rather by efficient instruction and evangelical doctrine and spirit, than by the comparative number of its students. This leads me to speak of the state of our diocesan institutions at Gambier, which I am able to do with the greatest satisfaction.

The new organization, provided for by the changes in the constitution of the Theological Seminary, which were completed during the year 1839-40, went into effect at the beginning of the last winter term. It was not, however, until more than one half of the year had elapsed, that the College could feel any distinct benefit from the new system, on account of the necessary delay in the arrival of President Douglas, who commenced his duties in April last. Since then, I can truly say, and none can know the present state

of the College and its Preparatory Department, without concurring with me, that great life and vigor have been infused into all its government and instruction. The greatest degree of zeal and earnestness, animate the officers; entire harmony prevails in their counsels; the instruction of the classes is eminently successful; the spirit of the students is that of cheerful conformity to law, zealous prosecution of study, and unusual satisfaction with the efforts made for their improvement, united with a very kindly personal relation to their instructors. The College Building is now undergoing a thorough internal repair, by which its aspect in reference to comfortable accommodation, will be entirely changed, and the in-dwelling of the students will be placed on a very desirable footing. The same may be said with emphasis, of the Junior Preparatory School, Milnor Hall. Under the great efforts, and untiring zeal of the Principals, that department has been wholly renovated, or rather, has been brought into a condition of attractiveness to parents, in regard to the education of their children, which it never had before. It is eminently a *home* for the pupils. The place of parents to the boys is supplied in a delightful degree, by the kind assiduity of the teachers and their families; every thing that kindness and wisdom can suggest to make them happy, in connection with their studies, is done, so that I never felt with regard to the College and its branches, so confident as I now do, of their having the broad basis of a permanent prosperity, and extensive usefulness. Certain I am, that the present state of things needs only to be known, to draw very great attention to Kenyon College, as a place of education. Of the Theological Seminary, as you will have the customary annual report, I need not here very particularly speak. The beautiful edifice for its students, Bexley Hall, is now just about to be roofed. The faculty has been incomplete during the last year, in consequence of the vacancy Milnor Professorship of Divinity, the trustees not having received the nomination, till recently, of a successor, by the reverend gentleman, with whom, by the terms of the endowment, the right of nomination is vested. It is hoped that the vacancy will soon be well supplied. The incompleteness of the Faculty, however, has not caused any break in the usual course of study, which by means already mentioned, has been regularly sustained. I am more and more convinced of the importance and necessity of educating our Western clergy in the West, and consequently, of the most vigorous and united support of our own institutions of education, in preference to any other; and therefore, must take occasion here, to put it as a matter of thought, whether the clergy and laity of the Diocese are as much interested as might be expected of them, in the support and furtherance of the same? Those institutions must ever lean in a great degree, as is fit and right, upon the zealous co-operation of the whole diocese. One thing the diocese may be assured of, that on the part of the faculties

to which those institutions are immediately committed, no pains or efforts will be spared to make them worthy of all reliance and patronage.

I am happy to say, that the amount of care accruing to myself, from the Diocesan Institutions of education, has been materially diminished by the late changes of organization. Further arrangements are in progress, by which I hope to be freed yet more from such cares as hitherto have arisen from the landed estate connected with the Theological Seminary.

While upon institutions of education, I take the opportunity to say, that the Institute for Female Education at Granville, is very well reported of by some of our clergy, who have recently attended upon its examination, and from all I can learn of its character and efficiency, I am persuaded it well deserves the cordial patronage of the Diocese.

Under the head of clerical removals, I have to mention the following : The Rev. Wm. W. Arnett has resigned the rectorship of St. Philip's Church, Circleville, and taken a letter dimissory to the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The Rev. Anson Clark has resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Norwalk, and succeeded Mr. Arnett, in St. Philip's, Circleville. The Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D., has resigned the Professorship of Pastoral Divinity, &c. in the Theological Seminary, and removed to Cincinnati. The Rev. Marcus K. Cushman has taken charge of the new parish of Zion Church, Dresden, and of St. Matthews, Madison. The Rev. Thomas J. Davis has resigned St. Paul's, Akron, and has since been residing in Mount Vernon. The Rev. John Henshaw, ordained deacon at the last Convention, has since been laboring as a missionary within the bounds of the South-Eastern Convocation. The Rev. Stephen G. Gassaway has resigned the office of domestic missionary in Cincinnati, and become minister of St. Peter's, Delaware. The Rev. Alvah Guion has resigned the charge of St. James', Piqua, after a long and faithful ministry in that parish. The Rev. William T. Halsey has resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Mount Vernon. The Rev. Albert Helfenstein has become a missionary of the Diocesan committee in St. Mary's, Mercer County. The Rev. Thomas Horrell has taken letters dimissory to the Diocese of Tennessee. The Rev. Hugh Kelley has become a missionary within the bounds of the North-Western Convocation, and resident at Elyria. The Rev. Orron Miller has resigned Christ Church, Franklin, and taken charge of the new parish of St. James', Wooster. The Rev. Joseph Muenschner has resigned the Professorship of Biblical Literature in the Theological Seminary, and become rector of St. Paul's, Mount Vernon. The Rev. James J. Okill, ordained deacon at the last Convention, has since been laboring as a minister of Trinity Church, Troy. Rev. Edward W. Peet has resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Chillicothe. The Rev. Willard Presbury has been received by letters dimissory from the Diocese of Indiana, and become missionary under the Domestic and Foreign Mission Society, at Springfield and Yellow Springs. The Rev. William Preston has resigned the charge of

Trinity Church, Columbus, and taken letters dimissory to the Diocese of Pennsylvania : and the Rev. Charles Fox received by letters dimissory from the Diocese of Michigan has succeeded to his place. The Rev. William Sparrow, D. D., has resigned the Milnor Professorship in the Theological Seminary, and taken letters dimissory to the Diocese of Virginia. The Rev. Charles C. Townsend has taken an itinerant mission under the Diocesan Committee, within the bounds of the North-Eastern Convocation. The Rev. John Ufford has resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Maumee City, and become minister of Trinity Church, Newark. The Rev. Abraham Wheeler has become missionary of the Diocesan Committee, at St. James', Springfield, Jefferson county.

The Rev. Joseph Mayo, a clergyman ordained in England, and resident in this Diocese, having fulfilled all the canonical conditions required of clergymen ordained by foreign bishops, and desirous of settling in this Church, and having been elected to the pastoral charge of Christ Church, Liverpool, has come into full standing as a clergyman of the Diocese, and is entitled to a seat in the Convention.

I have received notification from the Bishop of the Diocese of Tennessee, that the Rev. Albert A. Muller, late Rector of Trinity Church, Clarksville, Tennessee, having been tried and convicted, has been degraded from the ministry.

In regard to the support of the Episcopate, which I much regret to say, has not yet ceased to be a subject for the consideration of this body, I refer the Convention for information to the report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, at the same time taking opportunity to express my thanks to that officer for the faithful and diligent attention to the duties of a place, which in the present situation of the fiscal affairs, involves no little care and trouble, especially in its connection with the support of the Episcopate. I hope the Convention may long be favoured with the services of that gentleman. It will be remembered that at the last Convention, I proposed to resign all claim to one-fourth part of the salary of the Episcopate, provided the remainder should be paid by the time of this Convention. Such has not been the case, but still I have not the least disposition to claim the part thus contingently resigned. The Convention will please to consider that it is hereby unconditionally surrendered. And inasmuch, as the circumstances which induced the proposal last year, are still in existence, I request the Convention, that in making provision for the support of the Episcopate for the ensuing year, they will consider the fourth part of the legal salary, as again, for the coming year, unconditionally resigned.

The system of Convocations adopted at the last Convention for the promotion of the missionary work generally in the Diocese, and for the special object of making collections of funds for Missionary and Education purposes, may be considered as having worked pretty well in the main. The failures

have been either in a want of zealous attempt to set the plan on foot, or a misconception of its precise provisions. And inasmuch, as no little trouble has arisen to the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese for want of attention on the part of some of the Convocations to the provisions of the resolutions under which they were constituted, it is necessary here to call the attention of the clergy particularly, to certain points contained in those resolutions. It is there provided, that "the funds collected by each Convocation, shall be transmitted to the treasurer of the General Committee, and shall be appropriated, if desired, with reference to the wants of the district from which they come." Thus it is manifest, that so far as pecuniary matters are concerned, the office of the Convocation is simply that of *collection*. Its main object is that of a collecting agent. All monies collected by this agent, are directed to be transmitted to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Committee, in which alone is there vested any authority to *appropriate*. And the Convention could not have given any authority to the Convocations, to make the least disposition of funds collected for Missionary or Education purposes, without contradicting the express provisions of the canon under which the Education and Missionary Committee is annually elected. To that Committee, the Bishop being President ex-officio, is entrusted by canon, the whole power of appointing missionaries, and disbursing funds for missionary purposes. But instead of this essential provision having been kept in view by the Convocations, some of them have made collections and disbursements, not only without transmitting the money collected to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Committee, but without informing that officer or the Committee, that such collections were made.

Without going into particulars, it must be manifest, that if the Convocations proceed in this way, they must virtually nullify the rightful office of the Diocesan Committee, and make it impossible for the Bishop of the Diocese to exercise that control over the missions within its bounds, which belongs of right to his office, and which the Convention has so prominently recognised as to have made him ex-officio President of the Missionary Committee, and to have made it unlawful for any one to be appointed a Missionary, without his nomination. So great has been the confusion introduced by the course of some of the Convocations, that the Diocesan Committee have had great difficulty in making out a correct report of the monies collected and disbursed for missions, during the year. Hereafter, it will be necessary, not only that all collections be immediately reported, but actually *transmitted* to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Committee. There is no other way of escaping confusion.

I think it would be well to strike out that provision of the resolution concerning Convocations, which makes it necessary for the Bishop to appoint the time and place of the annual meeting of each Convocation. I see no

necessity for such a provision. It makes much trouble, and seems to answer no important end. How far the clergy have complied with the third resolution, as to the giving of two Sundays each year, by each clergyman, to missionary work, I cannot say. I see no way by which labor of that kind can be profitably given, except by the selecting of one or two points by each Convocation, where there are vacant parishes, or where there is a good prospect of building up the Church, and by concentrating upon them the two Sundays of all the Clergy of the Convocation.

If the plan adopted at the last Convention be only faithfully worked; if ministers will make conscience of a regular and punctual attendance at the meetings of the Convocations: if they will attend them with a view to cherish in their own hearts the spirit of their ministry, by prayer and affectionate conference one with another, endeavoring to make their meetings truly serious and doctrinal conferences of brethren assembled in God's name, and for God's glory: if, while together, they will faithfully preach the gospel, and endeavor to bring professing Christians to a right sense of their obligation to use the means which God has given them to promote this gospel, then, whatever may be the funds obtained, much good must be received, and done. Such meetings must be blessings; but to make them such requires not only the presence of the Spirit of God, but the single eye and devout earnestness, and every member to exclude all worldly and vain trifling away of precious time, and to give himself wholly to the one thing for which the meeting is appointed.

I much lament to say, that our Church has suffered great dishonor in the sight of a large part of the Christian people of these United States, and that many and great obstacles have been thrown in the way of the usefulness of our ministry, by the efforts which have been made in some quarters of our Communion, to defend the lamentable wanderings of what is probably called Oxford Divinity, as being not inconsistent with the doctrines of our standards, and by others, to extol and propagate them, as not only eminently in the spirit of our institutions, but the glorious revival, in a degenerate age, of all that is primitive and apostolic. We cannot wonder, however we may be sorry, that those around us whose prejudices against our peculiarities are already sufficiently strong, should find occasion, in such zealous patronage of what they clearly see to be nothing else than a partially developed Romanism, to accuse our Church of tendencies which we well know to be utterly opposed by her every testimony, and the existence of which, in her institutions, would be her deep disgrace. Nothing can be more directly in opposition to all that is characteristic of the false doctrines to which we refer, than the doctrinal standards of our Church; and yet nothing is more natural than that, when men around us see those doctrines so kindly treated, and their chief abettors so zealously defended, and their writings so earnestly praised and circulated among us, they should at once, take up impressions concerning the scriptural character of our Church, which neither the silent testimony of articles unseen, nor the respected protest of our faithful ministry, can eradicate. Probably the reputation of our Church has suffered more, and the way of our ministry has been more

hedged up, by prejudices and aversions against our peculiarities, in consequence of what has been written and done by individual Episcopalians in the United States, in favor of Oxford Divinity, during the last three years, than will be credited by those whose occupations do not lead them into various parts of the land, and into acquaintance with various denominations of Christians. One of the most mortifying evidences of the impression produced, is in the confidence expressed by Roman Catholic clergy, that our Church is fast turning to the embrace of a mother, whose tortures, I trust, like our martyred forefathers, we would glory in preferring to her favor. I have not the least idea that Romanists are not entirely sincere in this belief. Some say, there is nothing they so much fear as the writings of the Oxford Divines. Strange, then, to recommend their most vaunted publications to the reading of their people. In company with others, I received the letter of Bishop Kendrick, styled Bishop of Arath, and Coadjutor to the Roman Catholic Bishop of Philadelphia, calling on the Bishops of our Church, to become reconciled to that of Rome. I must confess, that I did not regard that letter as did some. It did, indeed, fill me with indignation, that such a proposition should have been so made and urged; but my indignation was not so much at the letter writer, as the writings in support of the Oxford errors, which instigated it. I was deeply mortified that such a production should have appeared, because I did verily believe that the state of things among us had invited it. Not that the author could have supposed, that any of our Bishops, would, in any degree, for a single moment, so much as think respectfully of his appeal; but that the scarcely veiled Romanism of the Oxford writings had been so kindly treated, and its condemnation so indignantly repelled by Protestant Episcopalians, that such a pamphlet, from such a source, was a natural and warrantable consequence. Instead of reflecting upon the writer, I am much more disposed to wish there had not been given him so much cause. Certain I am, that, if among any non-episcopal denomination of Christians, we had seen as many evidences of favor towards the peculiarities of our Church, as Romanists have seen, of tendencies to their system in those who have sent forth, or patronized the Oxford publications, many a person among us would have spoken confidently of the prospect of that denomination becoming ultimately episcopal, and it would not have been at all surprising, if some pen of a ready writer had issued an earnest appeal to their ministry, by way of helping the reformation.

But it is comforting to know, that while the Oxford heresy is becoming more and more developed and bold, the protest of the Church in England and this country, is more and more awake and decided. Some of the late exhibitions of what has before been held in reserve, are so bold, and evince such an entire alienation of heart, from, and even aversion to, the doctrines of our Protestant Church, and such a manifest longing after what she has most indignantly rejected, as being of the very soul of Popery, that it seems hardly possible for the blindest eye not to see "whence it cometh, and whither it goeth." I have never believed that any thing less would be the result; but I confess the bud has opened much faster than I expected. What

the *authors* and *masters* of the school are already doing, I had supposed, would come quickly, if reserved for the rising generation of less responsible *disciples*.

Brethren, there is much to be learned of the human heart, of the depths of Satan, of the relative value of different parts in the great system of Divine Truth, as committed to the Church for the enlightening of the world, and of the vital importance of holding fast and securing the firmest anchorage in the minds of our people, for those great central doctrines of justification and faith, which the standards of our Church so prominently and plainly teach, and the corruption of which is the very soul of the heresies I have been speaking of, as it has always been, of every great departure from plain gospel truth. Whatever evil and dishonor may come to us from the degree to which these errors may have spread, or are yet to spread, either by positive acceptance, or what is more common, by partial and unobserved influence, I have no doubt, that, under the blessed control and government of the Divine Head of the Church, all this will turn out to the furtherance of the gospel. Christ will be more plainly, fully, faithfully preached by many, because the great doctrines which centre in his death and intercession, will be more carefully studied, more distinctly held, and more correctly estimated. Let us see to it, that on our part, such shall be the fruit of a dispensation, which, in some of its aspects, is so much to be lamented.

I conclude an address already too much extended, by expressing the earnest wish that we may all derive much spiritual pleasure and edification from our present meeting. Let us seriously remember in whose presence, for whose cause, we have assembled; and may all our doings, being ordered by his governance, be righteous in His sight, through Jesus Christ.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

The Committee on the credentials of Lay Delegates, reported the canonical certificates of twenty-two churches, and the lay delegates being called, the following answered to their names:

All Soul's Church, Springfield—Edward H. Cumming, William Coles, John Ludlow.

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga—Orin Gilbert, Jonathan James.

St. Mark's Church, Millcreek—James Foster.

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe—Henry Brush, James S. Swearengen, N. W. Thatcher.

St. James' Church, Cross Creek—John B. Bayliss.

Harcourt Parish, Gambier—D. B. Douglass.

Trinity Church, Columbus—J. A. Lazell.

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati—D. K. Cady, James S. Butler.

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville—John H. Viers.

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth—Washington Kinney.

Christ Church, Cincinnati—Bellamy Storer, William Key Bond, William H. H. Taylor.

St. Paul's Church, Akron—Dr. E. W. Crittenden.

St. James' Church, Zanesville—Dr. William Keith.

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon—James L. Reynolds.

St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton—John Shaffer.

The committee on the admission of New Parishes, made the following report, which was unanimously accepted, viz:

The committee appointed to examine the documents and certificates of churches applying for admission to the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, beg leave to report, that they have examined the papers of Grace Church, Cincinnati, Christ Church, in the township of Warren, and County of Trumbull, Ohio, St. James' Church, Wooster, St. Marks', Sidney, and Zion Church, Dresden, and find them correct, and they hereby recommend that these churches be admitted into union with this Diocese.

Which, on being called, the Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D., Rector of Grace Church, Cincinnati, and Dr. John G. Wood, lay delegate from the same church, answered to their names, and took their seats.

The committee on unfinished business, reported, that the only unfinished business is the proposed canon on the support of the Episcopate, on the 45th page of the last Journal.

On motion, it was Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the subject of Diocesan Missions, and report to this convention; whereupon the President appointed the Rev. John T. Brooke, Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson, and Mr. William Key Bond, said committee.

On motion of the Rev. John Ufford, it was Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the subject of Domestic Missions, and report to this convention; the President appointed the Rev. John Ufford, Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, and Rev. William A. Smallwood, said committee.

On motion, it was Resolved, That the committee on unfinished business be requested to report to the convention if any, what action is necessary in reference to the Canon reported to the last convention relative to the support of the Episcopate.

The Parochial Reports having been submitted to the Bishop, were directed by him to be laid on the table of the Secretary.

Convention adjourned to meet to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock, A. M.

Friday, 8 o'clock, A. M.

The convention met pursuant to adjournment. After prayer by the Bishop, the roll was called, and the minutes of the last session read, amended, and approved.

The following gentlemen, lay delegates, were reported by the committee on credentials as being entitled to seats in this convention, and being called, answered to their names, and took their seats.

Grace Church, Cincinnati — Dr. Daniel Drake.

St. John's Church, Worthington — Mr. S. A. Bacon, Mr. Osias Burr.

On motion of the Rev. Alexander Varian, it was Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to nominate delegates to the ensuing General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States. Thereupon the President appointed the Rev. Alexander Varian, Rev. Anson Clarke, and Dr. Daniel Drake, said committee.

The committee on credentials reported the names of the following gentlemen as lay delegates, entitled to seats in this convention, who being called, answered to their names, and took their seats.

Zion Church, Dresden — Mr. William Evans, Mr. Benjamin Adams.

St Paul's Church, Utica — Mr. Henry P. Smythe.

All Saint's Church, Portsmouth — Mr. Edward Hamilton.

The resignation of Dr. J. Andrews, as a Trustee of the Theological Seminary of Ohio, was offered, and accepted by the convention.

Mr. John H. Viers, of Steubenville, Ohio, was then nominated to fill the vacancy; on counting the ballots, he was declared to be unanimously elected.

On motion, it was Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to nominate a Missionary and Education Committee, Standing Committee of the Diocese, and Sunday School Committee. Whereupon the President appointed the Rev. John Ufford, Rev. William A. Smallwood, and Bellamy Storer, Esq., said committee.

The committee on unfinished business made the following report, which was unanimously accepted by the convention:

The Committee on unfinished business, to whom was referred the consideration of the Canon on the support of the Episcopate, report, that having further examined the last Journal of the Convention, they do not find therein evidence sufficiently satisfactory to show that such Canon was regularly and canonically adopted.

On motion of Mr. Storer, the whole subject of the Canon, and the support of the Episcopate was laid on the table.

On motion it was Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Diocese be authorized and required to transmit to the Treasurer of the General Convention

of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, the amount due from this Diocese to the General Convention.

On motion, it was Resolved, That so much of the Resolution adopted by the convention of 1838, authorising the Treasurer of this Diocese to pay the expenses of Lay Delegates to and from the General Convention, be and the same is hereby repealed.

The Parishes were called in their order, and the Parochial Reports before laid upon the table, were taken up, and read as follows :

CHRIST CHURCH, DAYTON.

REV. ETHAN ALLEN, RECTOR.

Communicants added since last report 8, six of which were by removal into the parish, one has died, three have removed, and three have been stricken off for non-attendance at public worship — present number 55.

He has celebrated 6 marriages, baptised 4 children, attended the funerals of 2 adults and 3 children. Three were confirmed by the Bishop at his last visitation. The Sabbath and Wednesday evening services have been continued as usual till within a few weeks past, when the Rector was providentially detained from home. The Sunday school has kept up its usual interest. Communicants' offerings have amounted to \$60 40. Contributions to the Sunday school, about \$30. Collections for the Episcopate, \$55.

REV. NORMAN BADGER,

Reports, that during the year his time has been almost entirely occupied in Milnor Hall. He has preached occasionally in Gambier and its vicinity, has administered the communion several times in parishes under the charge of brethren yet in Deacon's orders, and has married one couple.

REV. ALFRED BLAKE,

Reports, that his duties in Milnor Hall have left him but little time to devote to other things. For a good part of the year, he has preached every fourth Sunday in St. Matthew's Church, Perry. He has also preached and administered the communion in several of the neighboring parishes — has preached in his turn in Gambier, and solemnized one marriage.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WAKEMAN.

REV. THOMAS BARROW, RECTOR.

Since my connection with this parish there have been added, 8 communicants, died 1, present number 25, confirmations 3, funerals 7, contributions for benevolent objects, \$6 17.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MARIETTA.

REV. J. BONNAR, B. D. RECTOR.

Communicants: number last reported, 52, removed from the list 10, added 4, 3 being from Harcourt Parish, Gambier, and 1 as ready and desirous to be con-

armed. Present number 46, baptisms 5 children, marriages 2, burials 1 adult and 2 children—3.

BETHEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

REV. A. BRONSON, RECTOR.

This parish has ceased to be a missionary station, and of course the Rector is left with but little support, yet he is determined not to desert his post so long as he can, by his own means, and his own industry, gain a subsistence. Since last March he has withdrawn his services from the old village, and concentrated them at the church. Baptisms, children 3, confirmations 3, marriages 2, burials (3 of the parish) 10, communicants (1 removed, 8 added,) 24, contributions for missions \$2 78, collected for the Bishop last year \$3, this year \$11.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GRANVILLE.

REV. S. A. BRONSON, RECTOR,

Reports: baptisms, adult 1, and infant 1, confirmed 12, communicants added 10, removed 6, withdrawn 2, died 2, suspended 1, present number 60. Marriages 2, funerals 6. Bible Class and Sunday School as reported last year. Given for benevolent objects, \$55 00. Paid towards Bishop's salary, \$62 00.

The Female Seminary connected with this church continues in successful operation. The Rector has met with the young ladies of the boarding house, for religious exercises, once a week, during part of the year.

CHRIST'S CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. J. T. BROOKE, RECTOR.

Since the last convention there have been added to the church, of new communicants 15, on certificates from other churches 6—21, removed 14, deceased 2—16, present number 141. Marriages 14, baptisms, adults 5, infants 23—28, confirmations 15, funerals 10.

The religious contributions of this parish including monthly offerings and donations from an efficient society of ladies, have been upwards of \$1300. It will be seen by the number of new communicants added, that we have not been without that gracious influence of the Spirit which "giveth the increase;" but there remains much cause for lamentation in the fact that so many still neglect the "so great salvation."

ALL SAINT'S CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH.

REV. ERASTUS BURR, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 12, adults 2—14, confirmed 7, funerals 15, marriages 3, communicants, former number 67, removed 5, died 1—6, added 7, present number 67. Sunday school teachers 15, scholars 85, collection for Missions and Education, \$20, for Bishop's salary, assessment for deficiency, \$46, annual salary, \$40—86.

The provisions of the Convention in respect to missionary labor have been complied with by the Rector, in addition to which, for sometime past, he has held a

service on Sunday morning for the benefit of boatmen and others engaged on the rivers and canals.

TRINITY CHURCH, CLEVELAND.

REV. RICHARD BURY, RECTOR.

The following report for the year past, is respectfully submitted:—

Baptisms, adults 4, children 29 — 33, confirmations 28, communicants (added 24, removed 13, suspended 1, deceased 2,) present number 138. Marriages, (in the parish 11, in other places 4,) whole number 15. Funerals 21. Sunday school rather declining for the past season, but now, again improving. The present number of scholars and teachers not varying materially from last year's report—say over 100 scholars on the catalogue, average attendance about 70, teachers about 15, besides superintendents. Appropriations to the Episcopate, for balance of salary due last Convention, being the apportionment assessed upon the parish by order of Convention, \$90 00. For the current year, and raised by a fixed assessment upon the pews, \$100 00. Whole amount, \$190 00. Alms collected monthly at the Holy Communion, \$164 18½. To Missionary and Education Committee, \$20. For Prayer books and tracts for gratuitous distribution, \$10 00. Besides which there has been procured, and also paid for, an organ at an expense, including alteration of the gallery, of about \$1300 00. And the Ladies' Benevolent Society of the parish, with praiseworthy zeal, have erected a new pulpit, desk, and altar, carpeted the chancel and aisles anew, purchased some articles of communion plate, and a baptismal font; also, a pair of elegant chandeliers for the pulpit and desk; the individual who selected them very generously presenting another pair; the vestry room made more convenient and comfortable; and the chancel furnished in addition to the above, with two neat and substantial chairs,—the church thoroughly cleansed and whitewashed, and the window blinds repaired and newly painted, at an expense defrayed by means raised at their fair in June last, except a handsome contribution by another individual who also superintended much of the work, of about 400 to \$450. Thus making the aggregate amount of expenditures for the year past, including the Rector's salary and other stated and annual expenses, not far if any thing from \$4000 00.

In all this, while we desire, with humble gratitude and more confiding faith in His promises, to acknowledge the goodness of God to us, in a temporal point of view, notwithstanding the great pecuniary embarrassment of the times; we trust that He has still higher claims upon our thankful acknowledgment of His spiritual mercies.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.

REV. A. CLARK, RECTOR.

Communicants added since last reported, 2, removed 1, omitted 2, died 2, present number 58. Baptisms, infants 9, marriages 2, funerals 7, children in Sunday school, 35. Contributions to Episcopate, \$30. Contributions to Sunday school library, \$17. The lapse of one year since the last convention, has made no material change in the condition of this parish.

Having received a call to St. Phillip's Church, Circleville, which I thought it advisable to accept, my connection with St. Paul's, Norwalk, ceased in the month of June, and on the 4th of July, I entered on my duties as Rector of St. Phillip's.

At which time I found in connection with the church 48 communicants, added since 2, present number 50. Baptised one infant and attended 2 funerals.

GRACE CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D. D., RECTOR.

Baptisms, 3, communicants 22. Sunday school teachers, 9, scholars 54, volumes 150.

At the time of the recent canonical organization of Grace Church, (services having been celebrated for about four months under a provisional organization,) the families composing the parish consisted of between twenty and thirty, — the number of worshippers has varied from 150 to 300.

A subscription has been raised for the erection of a place of worship, and a building committee appointed by the Vestry. With the continued blessing of the Great Head of the Church, it is hoped this infant parish, now fully organized and admitted into union with the Diocese, will in due time be clothed with strength. To this end the Rector desires humbly and diligently to labor in the patience of faith.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, AKRON.

E. W. CRITTENDEN, DELEGATE.

This church, founded by the blessing of God, upon the self-denying labors and perseverance of Rev. T. J. Davis, was left vacant a year ago, by his resignation. Since that time there has been no settled minister. Rev. J. J. M'Elhinny of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, had temporary charge of the parish for three months next after Christmas, was much beloved and was expected to become the rector of the church; but this he declined on account of ill-health. Besides the services of Mr. M., the pulpit has been occasionally supplied by Rev. Messrs. Fairchild, Davis, and Townsend. During the remainder of the year, except four or five weeks, the congregation have met regularly and had lay-reading, conducted by the junior warden, under authority from the Bishop.

During the year, two adults have been baptised by Rev. Mr. Fairchild, four or five added to the communion, and an equal number removed, leaving the present number of communicants the same as last year, 22; besides three or four who are regular attendants upon the ordinances of the church but have not yet enrolled their names as communicants.

The church very much needs the pastoral care of an active and able clergyman. Such an one would there find an ample field for labor and receive a comfortable and increasing support. The Rev. Mr. Freeman of Pennsylvania, has recently been called as rector of the parish, and hopes are confidently entertained that he will accept the call.

ZION CHURCH, DRESDEN, AND ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, MUSKINGUM CO.

REV. M. K. CUSHMAN, RECTOR.

I have to report, that under the direction of Providence, I was in Dresden for the first time on the last Sunday in August, 1840, on which day I found there the Rev. Mr. Smallwood, on a particular request of some of the citizens, to set before them some of the distinctive features of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The

services of that day speedily resulted in the organization of a parish, and the call of the present minister. Services are performed every Sunday morning in this place in an upper room of the Market-house. I preach every other Lord's day in the afternoon, in a Presbyterian meeting-house in Madison, and in the afternoon of the alternate Sunday in another Presbyterian meeting-house, in the neighborhood of Adams' mill. It may be said with much truth that the interests of our church are constantly rising in the several places preached in, and in a comparatively short time, it may be confidently expected, that with the blessing of God, our Zion will be fully established in them. The Madison church is not yet completed, owing chiefly to the great pressure of the times, common in our country. It is thought, that should there presently be some improvement in this respect, that building may be completed in the course of another season, and also that a church edifice may be erected in Dresden.

Baptisms in the latter place, infants 2, communicants 9, marriages 2, burials 3; collections for the support of the Episcopate, \$17 50. Madison, communicants 14; collections for the support of the Episcopate, \$10 00.

TRINITY CHURCH, TROY.

REV. JAMES JAY OKILL, MINISTER.

As our Diocesan Convention is soon to meet, I thought I would send you, in compliance with the requisition of the Canon, a report of the state of the church of which I have had the pastoral charge during the past year.

Shortly after my ordination in August, 1840, I received a call from this parish to officiate three-fourths of a year, and commenced my duties in October last. In the retrospect of the past, the pastor has much cause for thankfulness for the blessings which have crowned his labors. The prospects of this church are much more encouraging than at any former period. The members and friends of the church appear to be roused to more activity and zeal. As an evidence of the increasing prosperity of the congregation, and in a laudable endeavor to retain the services of their present pastor among them, the vestry have doubled his salary, whilst the ladies with a truly commendable spirit of liberality have pledged themselves to raise an additional hundred, towards his support. He is happy here to record the fact that the prejudices which have hitherto existed against *the church* are fast giving way.

Baptisms, adults, 2, infants 3, total 5. Marriages 1, burials 3, confirmed 6. Present number of communicants 18. Sunday scholars 60, teachers 11.

He also begs leave to report, that St. Paul's Church, Greenville, has received no small share of his ministerial services. The church edifice in that place still remains in an unfinished condition, but he hopes that the zeal and activity of the few members who constitute the church in that community, will hasten it forward to its completion. But a little extra effort on their part will, he is sure, by the blessing of God, accomplish an object so truly desirable. He baptised one child in Greenville.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MT. VERNON.

REV. THOMAS J. DAVIS, MINISTER.

From the last convention, I returned to my charge of the parish of St. Paul's, Akron, and continued the performance of my clerical duties till the first of Sep-

tember, at which time the sickness of my father, in Mount Vernon, made it necessary for me to leave there, to take care of him. On the 5th of October I notified the parish of my situation, and having resigned my charge of the parish I have since that time continued to reside in Mount Vernon.

I preached on Christmas day in St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon, and assisted the Rector in administering the Holy Communion.

On Quinquagesima Sunday, I preached once in Somerset, Perry county, and baptised two children. In St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon, I preached twice on the 5th Sunday in Lent; once on Good Friday; on Easterday twice and administered the Holy Communion, and also twice on the first Sunday after Easter. I preached twice at Gambier on the third Sunday after Easter. On Whitsunday I preached twice in St. Paul's, Akron, administered the Holy Communion, and also held divine service on Wednesday evening and preached. And on Trinity Sunday I preached twice in St. Paul's parish, Mount Vernon.

On the 4th Sunday after Trinity, I preached in the afternoon at the school-house on Gra creek and baptised two children. On the 6th at Frederick in the morning, and at Gra creek in the afternoon; also, once on the 8th, and once on the 10th Sunday after Trinity. And on the 11th, I preached once in Somerset.

Thus, right reverend Sir, I have endeavored to discharge my clerical duties, with as much fidelity as my situation would permit. And I hope that the time afforded me for reading and meditation since my resignation of the parish, will enable me to enter with more ability and zeal in the sacred discharge of my high calling, when I shall be again entrusted with one of the congregations of Christ's flock.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CUYAHOGA FALLS.

REV. THOMAS B. FAIRCHILD, RECTOR.

The state of this parish is every way encouraging. The number of communicants has increased one-third, and the attendance upon the means of grace greatly improved, and the minister has to record with gratitude, the many kindnesses he has received from all his parishioners. The spiritual interests of the parish have also been prosperous, and there has been hardly a time during the year when there has not been cases of decided seriousness, and yet there has in no instance been a departure from the prescribed order of the church.

Communicants added 15, present number 46, baptisms, (infants 10, adults 5) —15, confirmations 11, marriages 2, Burials 4, Sunday school teachers 9, scholars 57. Contributed for Domestic Missions, \$20 00. Contributions for Episcopate, \$54 00.

Besides regular services at St. John's, the Rector has repeatedly preached at Akron, and baptised 2 adults; and recently has commenced regular monthly services at Hudson, with a view to the organization of a parish, with the most encouraging prospects.

REV. JOHN FOSTER.

I have preached in Lebanon and its vicinity since last Convention, 30 times, and performed funeral services once. I have also preached once in Piqua, once in Dayton, and once in Cincinnati.

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBUS, OHIO.

REV. CHARLES FOX, RECTOR.

The present Rector first officiated in, and took charge of this parish, the 2nd of May last. As soon as a correct list of the communicants could be procured, it was found that there were only 93, several having removed from the place about Easter; added since 10, total 103. Since last convention the following are the statistics of the parish. Baptisms, (infants 23, adult 1) 24. Funerals 22. Marriages 10. Sunday scholars 150, average attendance 130, teachers 30. Services have been regularly held twice every Sunday, with a Bible class in the evening, besides a lecture every Thursday evening. The ladies hold a monthly missionary meeting, and a weekly sewing society. Besides this parish's quota to the Bishop's salary, contributions have been made to various institutions connected with the church at large, and in this Diocese.

With regard to the spiritual condition of the parish, it scarcely becomes the Rector (under present circumstances) to speak. He can only express a fervent desire that his people may continue to grow in grace, and actively to abound in every good work for their Savior's sake.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, DELAWARE.

REV. S. G. GASSAWAY, MINISTER,

Reports,—that when his connection with this parish began in October last, he received a list of communicants belonging to it, amounting to 53. To that number have been since then added from the congregation 17, from other churches 2. There have died 2, removed 0, present number 70. In the same time have been baptised, adults 4, infants 12—16, confirmed 19, married 0, buried 4.

The Sunday school, superintended by the minister, has six male and nine female teachers, and about 75 scholars. The contributions of the parish have been during this year, to missions about \$15 00, to Sunday School Library, \$20 00; and they have also paid towards Bishop's salary for 1841, \$50 00.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MEDINA.

REV. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, RECTOR.

In making up my report for the year ending September 9, 1841, I feel in duty bound to acknowledge to the Great Head of the Church, our obligation for his continued goodness to us as a people. We have had peace in our borders, our congregation is good, and our communicants I trust, are growing in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We have still to contend with the pressure of the times, but although faint, yet pursuing. The transcript of my record book is as follows; baptised, infants 8, adult 1—9. Funerals, adults 2, children 1—3. Marriages 6. Confirmations 13. Communicants, removed 3, withdrawn 1, died 1—5, added 4. Present number 101.

Sabbath school, males 46, females 29, total 75; teachers, male 6, females 9—15.

I have also visited Columbia, Strongsville and Elyria, in my term of missionary duty. Columbia and Strongsville are anxious to have a minister with them, and are now making arrangements for his support. Much credit is due the Ladies'

Society in Columbia, who are earnestly engaged with their hands to support the cause. I hope it will be in your power to send them a clergyman, one who is willing to suffer in the Master's cause.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, CROSS CREEK, NEAR STEUBENVILLE, JEFFERSON COUNTY, OHIO.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, RECTOR.

During the present year our congregation has continued with much regularity, and the number of communicants has gradually increased. Seriousness, piety, and harmony are displayed generally by the whole parish. Our new church has been ready for consecration for some time past, and is *entirely out of debt*. By the liberality of the vestry, I have been enabled to build a comfortable residence opposite the church, and hope to spend the remainder of my days among them, as a father surrounded by his children.

Baptisms, infants 6, adult 1, total 7. Marriages 3. Funerals 6. Communicants, added 10, died 2, removed 1, total 80. Contributed for Missions, \$55 03½. Towards the Episcopate, \$16 00.

I have preached at St. Thomas' Church, St. Clairsville, Belmont county, Ohio, each alternate Sunday, during the past year. Owing to accumulated discouragements, the parish appeared almost destroyed. I have endeavored to rally them, by going from house to house, and preaching as much as possible in the surrounding country. Our congregation appears regularly to gather strength, and will soon, I trust, require more efficient ministerial services, than I can give it, with my other missionary labors.

Baptisms, infants 5, adult 1, total 6. Communicants 20. Funeral 1. Contributed for Missions, \$8 73½. Towards the Episcopate, \$5 00.

I have preached generally once in four weeks in Portland, Piney Fork, Cross Creek Township, Mount Pleasant, and three miles south of St. Clairsville. At each of those places we have communicants connected with one of my parishes. I was requested a short time ago, to preach at Elizabethtown, the county seat of Marshall County, Virginia, sixteen miles south of St. Clairsville. We have five families belonging to the church, residing in the village, and I hope they with the parish at St. Clairsville, will in a short time, take up the whole of the services of a clergyman. I have preached here three times.

Besides these places, I have occasionally preached for my brethren at Steubenville, Zanesville, Springfield, and Deersville, in Ohio, and Wheeling and Wellsburgh, in Virginia.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PIQUA AND ST. MARK'S CHURCH, SIDNEY.

REV. ALVAH GUION, RECTOR.

From the time of the meeting of the last Convention up to the 7th of June, 1841, three-fourths of my Sundays were spent in Piqua. Having obtained the Bishop's consent, I then resigned, the Rectorship of St. James' Church, Piqua; in which parish I have lived and labored from the time of my admission to Deacon's orders, a period of about nine years. The other fourth of my time during the past year, has been spent in Sidney, where a parish has been organised, and a lot given on which to erect a Church. I now leave a field in which I have labored

with pleasure and I trust with profit to the Church and to souls. The congregation which nine years ago was small, is now large and highly respectable.

The parish of Trinity Church, Troy, just organised shared in my services for nearly five years, during which time a neat church was erected, and a congregation collected so large as to lead them to undertake the support of a resident minister among them. During the above nine years I have also preached in various other places; collected congregations and organised three new parishes, those of St. Luke's, Urbana, St. Paul's, Greenville, and St. Mark's, Sidney.

ⁱ For any good that may have been done through my instrumentality in this interesting and important field of labor, to God's holy name be all the praise.

St. James' Church, Piqua. Baptisms, adult 1, children 10, confirmed 11, communicants, added 13, died 3, removed 3, present number 68; marriages 5, funerals 11, Sunday school teachers 12, scholars 66. Offerings for missions Domestic and Foreign \$50 25, do. from Parish Female Benevolent Society, \$9, and for the Episcopate deficit, \$25. — St. Mark's Church, Sidney, Communicants 4.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ASHTABULA.

REV. JOHN HALL, MINISTER.

The minister of the Church in this parish, respectfully presents the following report of his ministrations the past year, and of the present state of this church. In this as in all my reports, I make no reference to any but members of the church by baptism.

Families 42, baptised persons about 200, baptised adults, including persons of age, and persons who have been confirmed, about 100. Of these is the church in this parish composed.

Children and infants baptised the past year 7, candidates presented and confirmed 2, communicants died 1, removed 6, returned from abroad and readmitted 3, admitted new 4. Present number 97. Marriage 1, died, adult 1, infant 1 — 2. The worshipping assembly in this church is increasing.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, UNIONVILLE.

REV. JOHN HALL, MINISTER PRO. TEM.

Families 20, baptised persons 66; baptised adults 37. Of these is the church in this parish composed.

Children baptised the past year 2, candidates presented and confirmed 1, communicants, 1 died, 1 removed, 1 admitted new — 32, died, adult 1, children 2 — 3.

This parish is in a hopeful condition although it has had the services of a clergyman not more than four weeks for eighteen months past.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MOUNT VERNON.

REV. W. F. HALSEY, RECTOR.

Agreeable to the requisition of the Canon, I herewith send a report of my labors for the last year. I continued to perform my duties regularly as the Rector of St. Paul's parish, Mount Vernon, Ohio, from the close of the last convention up to the middle of March, at which time I was unexpectedly called from the parish,

and soon after (for reasons which it is not necessary here to mention) felt it my duty to resign my charge of it. It affords me pleasure to say that the members of that congregation for the short space of time I was their pastor, always treated me with kindness and respect: when I left them I thought the parish in a prosperous condition.

Since the time of my resignation of that parish, I have been without any regular charge, but I trust I have not been altogether useless in my Master's service. I have preached frequently in Plattsburgh and various other places: and on one occasion travelled several miles into a Roman Catholic district of country where we have no church formed, but where there are living a few families belonging to our church, and there lectured and administered the sacrament of baptism to eight children, the offspring of three families of protestant Irishmen.

REV. A. HELFENSTEINE, SEN.

In the beginning of October, 1840, I moved from Worthington to St. Mary's. Since that time I have officiated regularly every other Sunday in St. Mary's. Every fourth Sunday in Selina, the county seat and ten miles from this place; once at Chickasaw, ten miles off; several times at the deep cut, nine miles distant, and once at Lima, Allen county, twenty-two miles away. During this period I have baptised 3 children, and performed 3 funeral services. In St. Mary's are at present 3 full church members; at Selina 1; Chickasaw 2; Deep Cut one. There was considerable prejudice here against the Episcopal church, which now has subsided, so that the way is preparing for the establishment of a prosperous church here. Enough male names have been obtained to organise a parish; but it is not thought expedient to so do at present. In consequence of the peculiarity of the times, the navigation on the canal has not yet been opened; but it cannot be long before this will be accomplished, when St. Mary's must become a flourishing commercial place. Then will be the brightest prospects for the Episcopal church. At present the way is preparing for that event.

REV. JOHN HENSHAW, DEACON, MISSIONARY,

Reports, that he took charge of the Congregation at Deersville, Harrison county, the first of October, and has continued to preach there once every alternate Sunday. Communicants 6, baptisms, infants 2. The small attendance upon his preaching seems to render it advisable to discontinue his connection with this congregation.

At Mr. Matthew Kennedy's, eight miles south of Deersville, he has preached once every fourth Sunday since December, to a full house of attentive hearers.

At Cadiz he preached once a month, five times; but ceased in March on account of the indifference manifested to his preaching.

At Canal, Dover, Tuscarawas County, he has preached twice every fourth Sunday since Christmas. Baptism, one infant. It appears inexpedient to continue his labors at this place.

At Eastport he has preached on a week day once a month since Christmas. We have a few friends here.

In Newport and vicinity, six miles south of Eastport, he has preached on Sundays three times, and on week days twice a month since February. Baptisms, infants 7. He has some prospect of forming a congregation here.

St. Mark's Parish, Mill Creek, Coshocton county has had his services every fourth Sunday since Easter, also nine sermons on week days. Communicants 34, baptisms, infants 17, marriage 1. To missionary objects \$4. His prospects for usefulness here are very fair.

Mr. Crawford's near Lafayette, Holmes county; — he has preached here week days three times. Communicants 6, baptisms, infants 2.

He has also preached at Gambier and vicinity 4 times; Cross Creek 3 times; and twice at each of the following places, Utica, Berkshire, Harrisville and Port Washington; and four times in four other places.

GRACE CHURCH, SANDUSKY CITY.

The Wardens of Grace Church, Sandusky city, report: That since the last report by Rev. Mr. Punderson in the year 1839, we continued to have the services of Mr. Punderson, three-fourths of the time to Easter, 1840, and for the last year our pulpit has been supplied by the Rev. Burton H. Hicox, of the Diocese of Kentucky, who has been residing in our place. Our congregation, communion, and Sunday school, have increased very considerably during the last year, and we have improved our basement room by putting blinds to the windows, painting the interior, and carpeting the chancel; communicants, added 14, present number 28, baptisms, adults 4, infants 25, marriages 6, confirmed by the Bishop 11, burials 2, Sunday school teachers 10, average attendance of scholars 50, Sunday school library 200 volumes.

Z. W. BARKER, ABNER ROOT, WARDENS.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. H. V. D. JOHNS, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 16, adults 5, burials, infants 3, adults 9, marriages 8, communicants 145, Sunday school children 100, teachers 16. Contributions \$740 00.

The Rector records his gratitude to God for the measure of prosperity granted to this church, and at the same time expresses his obligations to the Vestry and Wardens for the cordial aid which they have rendered during the past year. A proposal has recently been made by the Female Society of the Parish, to take measures for the erection of a Parsonage, which it is hoped, may succeed: a commencement has also been made of a library for the use of the Rector, to be kept as the property of the church. I mention this form of christian benevolence with a view to stimulate others to similar enterprises. Our chief want at present arises from the contracted proportions of our church edifice; the church is not half the size it ought to be, to meet the demands of the growth of our city.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ELYRIA.

REV. HUGH KELLY, MISSIONARY.

After the last Convention, I continued to perform Divine service, each Sabbath, (one excepted,) in East Liverpool, up to last February. I have nothing special to report of that parish.

My appointment to Elyria, and as a missionary is dated February 10th, 1841, on the receipt of which I hastened to the new field of labor assigned to me, and commenced operations. Three-fourths of my Sabbath labor has been given to

Elyria, and the other one-fourth to Dover. In addition to these I have held occasional week-day services in Medina, Grafton, Columbia and Strongsville. In Columbia I celebrated two marriages. In Elyria we have had 2 funerals, 7 baptisms, 2 adults and 5 infants, and 8 have been confirmed. The number of communicants on record, 23; added 12, 7 removed, 5 before I came to the parish, and 2 since; 1 has died, leaving 27, the present number of communicants. There has been no increase in Dover, and only one confirmed since the last report.

Beside the regular Sabbath services in Elyria we have a Sabbath school, and an adult Bible class which is well attended and promises to be very useful in uniting our own people in the doctrines of the church, and in removing prejudice from the minds of others. During the last ecclesiastical year, "the Ladies Circle of Industry," has produced 27 dollars, the whole of which has been applied for the service of the House of the Lord in Elyria.

REV. R. S. KILLIN,

Reports, that since his ordination on the 1st of August, he has preached seven times at St. James', Piqua; once at St. James' Chapel; once at Trinity Church, Troy; once at Trinity Church, Columbus; twice at St. Paul's, Chillicothe; and four times at Rosse Chapel, Gambier. He has administered the sacrament of baptism to 3 children, one of Piqua, and two of Gambier. He has accepted the charge of St. James' Church, Piqua, and will enter on his duties the last Sabbath of September.

CHRIST CHURCH, LIVERPOOL, MEDINA COUNTY.

REV. JOSEPH MAYO, RECTOR.

My cure comprises about ten Episcopal families, besides individuals who occasionally attend my ministrations. The number of communicants varies from about 10 to 18. I have a small Sabbath school, the whole management of which I have taken upon myself. I was invited by the vestry to officiate here, in August, 1839, and up to the time of my canonical appointment, there occurred 1 funeral, 1 baptism, and 1 wedding, according to the rites of the Episcopal church. Since that period, I have officiated at one funeral in Columbia.

There are two services in the church every Sunday, with the exception of those days on which I have been called upon by the N. W. Convocation to preach missionary sermons elsewhere.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WOOSTER, WAYNE COUNTY.

REV. ORRIN MILLER, RECTOR.

I resigned the charge of Christ Church, Franklin, and accepted the rectorship of St. James' Church, Wooster, and commenced my services in this parish, on the 23d of May (Whitsunday); since which time I have held divine service twice, and generally thrice on each Sabbath, excepting two, and have generally held one or two services during the week. Public services (on Sabbath 39, and on other days 11) 50. I have also preached twice in the parish of St. Thomas' Church, Massillon, and at Edinburgh. This parish (St. James) is yet in infancy, having been organised but little more than six months, and of course is comparatively weak. But it has a rapid, and I hope a healthy growth. Number of the congre-

gation — families 30, adults 60, children 50, baptisms, adults, 2. Communicants added (admitted 16, received 15) 31.

Collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz: For parish purposes \$11 71. This parish is now engaged in erecting a church edifice, which is to be 50 by 36 feet, with a tower, and a vestry-room in rear of the church 12 by 10 feet. The whole is to be enclosed by a neat fence, and to be completed by the fifteenth of November next, at an expense of \$1500, including a bell. The corner-stone was laid by the Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, on the 27th of July, and an appropriate address was delivered by him on the occasion. The building is already framed, and is to be put up immediately, and the materials are prepared for enclosing it. The congregation is generally large, respectable and attentive. I have found a number of communicants in this region who had lived from three to ten years in the country, without the privilege of the worship and ministry of the church.

CHRIST CHURCH, FRANKLIN, PORTAGE COUNTY.

REV. ORRIN MILLER, MISSIONARY.

I continued to officiate at Franklin twice, and generally thrice, on each Sabbath, excepting three, until the 20th of May. On one of my vacant Sabbaths, I preached twice in the vacant parish at Akron, and on another I preached three times in the new parish of St. James, Wooster. I also exchanged on one Sabbath with Rev. Thomas Fairchild, of Cuyahoga Falls. In addition to these labors, I have officiated twice in the town of Aurora, and once in Root's Town. It was the first time that the service of the Episcopal church was ever held in either of those towns. Public services at Franklin on Sundays 90. Number of communicants added 8, baptisms, adults 3, infants 3—6, confirmed 23, marriages 2, burials 2, suspended from communion 1, dismissed 1, removed 4, present number 57.

Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows, viz: For the support of the clergyman \$4 75, Church Missions \$1 81, Episcopal funds by subscription \$6 25.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STEUBENVILLE.

REV. INTREPID MORSE, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants, 14, communicants (removed 11, died 1, added 10) 108, funerals 8, marriages 4, Sunday school scholars, about 100, catechumens 40.

Contributed to Diocesan Missions \$145, to General, Domestic and Foreign Missions \$50; to support of the Episcopate about \$100.

Since the last Convention Mr. M. has performed divine service and preached, principally in neighboring parishes, fourteen times, attended two funerals, and baptised one child.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HAMILTON.

REV. HENRY PAYNE, MINISTER.

The minister of St. Matthew's Church, Hamilton, respectfully reports to the Bishop, baptisms during the past year, infants, 6, marriages 4, funerals 7, communicants removed 2, died 1, added 2, present number 13. In consequence of

the inability of his parish to provide him a support, he has been appointed a diocesan missionary in the south-west convocational district, to devote one half his time to missionary objects. He was prevented from entering upon his duties as missionary until considerably after his appointment, but has since spent three Sundays in Cincinnati, one in Piqua, and two at Princeton. He also visited Springborough, 24 miles distant, and preached to a very large congregation.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHILLICOTHE.

REV. EDWARD W. PEET, LATE RECTOR.

My connection with the Parish of St. Paul, Chillicothe, was dissolved at Easter. From the period of the last Convention up to that time I was uninterruptedly engaged in the performance of parochial duty. I admitted several persons to the communion, baptised 28 persons, and gave official attendance at four funerals and four marriages. At my separation from my parishioners they met all their pecuniary obligations to myself; an act of justice which, if it had been earlier performed, would have removed in part the necessity of separation.

After my departure I preached four times in Portsmouth and aided in the administration of the communion. I then went into Virginia and preached five times on the Kenhawa, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's supper in one destitute parish, and in another where the clergyman was only in Deacon's orders. I preached twice in the county of Bath, once in Charlottesville, and six times in the different churches in Richmond. I then crossed over to the first fields of my ministerial labor on the Potomac, and preached four times in the county of King George, and once in the county of Westmoreland, in both of which places, as well as in Richmond, I aided in the administration of the holy communion, I preached afterwards twice in the city of Fredericksburg, four times in the city of Brooklyn, New York, twice in the city of Newark, New Jersey, three times in the city of Bridgeport, and twice in New Haven, Connecticut.

I have administered the rite of baptism twice in Virginia, once in St. George's parish, city of New York, and have attended one funeral in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

ALL SOUL'S CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, CLARKE COUNTY, OHIO.

REV. WILLARD PRESBURY, MISSIONARY.

Reports as follows: I entered upon my duties here as a missionary about one year ago, dividing my Sundays equally between this place and the Yellow Springs. The parish having been for some time previous destitute of a minister, I found it, as was natural, in a cold and deranged condition: but through the blessing of God on our humble labors, it now wears a somewhat different aspect. We now feel that we have much encouragement to persevere in our exertions for Christ and his cause. In addition to regular service on every other Sunday, we have had a weekly prayer meeting since the first of Lent, which has been uniformly well attended. A weekly female prayer meeting has also been held during about the same time, and for a considerable portion of the year occasional meetings for the practice of sacred music. A Sunday school has been organized which now numbers 8 teachers and 40 scholars. Baptisms, infants 10, adults 4, confirmations

8. Added to the communion by removal 1, new 11. Lost by removal 2, present number 23. Collections for Sunday school library \$15. For set of communion plate \$15. For Domestic Missionary Society \$7 50. For Colonization Society \$6. And for the building of a church edifice a subscription of above \$1000 has recently been made. Of this sum the Ladies' Sewing Society pledge \$200. In consequence of this subscription your missionary is now at the East soliciting funds to enable the parish to complete the contemplated building, which he hopes will be deemed a sufficient excuse for non-attendance at this convention.

At the Yellow Springs I have preached once every other Sunday with one exception, when I was prevented by the inclemency of the weather and the bad state of the roads. Baptisms, infants 2, adults 1, confirmations 0, added to the communion 1. Present number 6. Here an addition has been made to a former subscription for a church edifice, and they are now engaged in preparing the materials, and the corner-stone is expected shortly to be laid. Thus have we been prospered during the past year of our labors for which we claim no merit to ourselves, but ascribe all the glory to the Great Head of the Church.

REV. J. SANDELS, DEACON,

Reports that his time, since his ordination, in August, 1840, has been principally devoted to the duties of his professorship in Kenyon College. Besides this he has preached regularly in his turn in the College Chapel, occasionally in Mount Vernon, Utica, Newark, Huron, and other places. During the year he supplied St. Matthew's Church, Perry, with religious services, every fourth Sunday, where he baptised three children.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ZANESVILLE.

REV. W. A. SMALLWOOD, RECTOR.

Baptisms 11, adults 2, children 9, marriages 5, funerals 7. Additions to the communion by removal 9, by new communicants 11, total additions 20. Loss of communicants by removal, &c., 11. Present number 96. Persons confirmed 8. Sunday school teachers 15, scholars about 100.

During the last winter, much interest was manifested in spiritual things, and though the result has not proved so favorable as was then anticipated, still there is great reason for thankfulness in the addition of several valuable persons to the communion. One effect of this addition and of the season of seriousness, out of which it grew, is the erection, now progressing, of a new, larger, and far more eligible church. The Rector thanks God in the review of the past and takes courage.

Since the last Convention, the Rector has spent two Sundays in missionary services, one at Dresden, where a parish has since been organized by the name of Zion Church, and the other at McConnellsville. Contributions to the Colonization Society, \$50, and to the cause of Missions, \$120.

CHRIST CHURCH, FRANKLIN.

Since the termination of the services of the Rev. Orin Miller, the church has been destitute of the services of a minister except one Sunday, the Rev. Charles C. Townsend, officiated. The church has been open every Sunday, and worship

been kept up by lay reading, and in general been well attended. The Vestry have recently engaged the services of the Rev. J. Davis, lately from the Diocese of Virginia, who commenced on the 22d instant, and will remain with us a year. Our Sunday school has not been kept up for the last six or eight months until now. Last Sunday it was re-organized under the superintendence of the Rev. Mr. Davis and lady, and is attended by between thirty and forty scholars with the requisite number of teachers; we have also recently received a donation of a handsome Sunday School Library of a hundred and twenty volumes — the school now bids fair to become interesting and useful.

The number of communicants is somewhat reduced since the last report, some eight or ten having left the parish; on the other hand some two or three families have come to settle amongst us, who give promise of being efficient supporters of our church, our courage is renewed, and if we can a little longer have the support and assistance of the missionary fund, will be on a permanent footing, and in our turn be able, and willing, to contribute our share to other new parishes.

The collections on communion days made during the last ecclesiastical year having been received and paid over to the minister by my then colleague, I am not able to specify the amount. Since the commencement of the present, there has been collected from the parish \$10 for the Episcopate fund and about \$2 for the missionary, both which sums were paid over to our minister before his departure.

Not having had access to the journals of the last Convention, until the present instant, I was not aware of the tax there levied to meet the contingent expenses of the Diocese, and no parish funds have been provided for that purpose, but I will use my best exertions as one of the Wardens, to have that, and all other arrearages made up and forwarded to the respective treasurers with as little delay as possible.

ASA STANLEY, SENIOR WARDEN.

GRACE CHURCH, BERKSHIRE.

GEORGE B. STURGES, RECTOR.

The Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire, reports 6 baptisms, 5 infants, and 1 adult. Thirty-seven communicants, 7 added, 3 from Christ Church, Cincinnati, 1 removed, 1 deceased, 7 marriages, 8 funerals, 80 Sabbath school scholars, and 10 teachers. There seems to be a growing interest in our services at Sunbury; and we now begin to hope that our labors there are not in vain in the Lord.

Since the last Convention I baptised 1 adult and 1 infant in St. John's Church, Worthington.

ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, MASSILLON.

REV. JOHN SWAN, RECTOR.

Respecting the spiritual state of his charge, the rector of this parish has little of interest to report. During the last Conventional year there have been added to the communion 10, removed 7, withdrawn 1, died 1, stricken off the list for non-attendance 1, leaving the present number 57. Baptisms, 1 adult and 11 children. Confirmed 16. Marriages 6. Funerals 11. The number of Sunday school children and teachers varies little from that last reported.

Contributions to the support of the Episcopate — the assessment \$40, for the current year \$43, for missions \$42. Total \$132.

Our church edifice, which has remained for some years in an unfinished state, and upon which have been expended nearly \$10,000, there is now the pleasing prospect of having soon completed. During the summer the Rector visited the east to solicit aid in behalf of this object; and though from the pressure of the times and other circumstances, his success was but partial, yet the sums received with a renewed effort on the part of a few members of the congregation will enable us to complete the building, with the exception of the upper part of the tower. Contracts have been made and the other work is going on; should no unexpected delays occur, our church, one of the handsomest and most substantial in the West, it is hoped, will be ready for consecration in the spring, or early part of next summer.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OHIO CITY.

REV. DAVID W. TOLFORD, RECTOR.

Reports as follows: baptisms, infants 8, adult 1, total 9. Communicants, died or removed 11, added 12, present number 79, confirmed 5, marriages 5, funerals 8.

Paid on deficit of Bishop's salary \$50 00. Upon Bishop's salary \$30 00. Diocesan assessment \$9. Also for benevolent objects 44 97. Total \$133 97.

The Rector can but bear testimony to the uniform kindness and affection of his people; among whom, he sincerely trusts there has been a gradual increase and growth in the knowledge of divine things.

ST. MATTHEW'S, PLYMOUTH; ST. MICHAEL'S, UNIONVILLE; CHRIST CHURCH, WARREN.

REV. C. C. TOWNSEND, MISSIONARY.

Respectfully reports: That since his last report, his labors have been subject to interruption from frequent sickness, but by God's blessing, he has been able to officiate as a missionary, and preach 137 times in sundry places: for the most part, however, in St. Michael's, Unionville; St. Matthew's, Plymouth; Trinity, Jefferson, for lack of ability to sustain the services of the church, being by advice of the Bishop, omitted.

The statistics of the two former parishes are as follows: St. Matthews, Plymouth, families last report 30, added 2—32. Communicants last report 31, added by profession 1, removal 4—5, died 1, suspended 1—34. Baptisms, infants 6, marriages 2, burial, infant 1, Sunday school as before.

St. Michael's, Unionville, families last report 31, added by removal 1—32. communicants, last report, 35, added by profession 1—36, baptisms, 1 adult 2 infants, marriages 2, burial, infant 1, Sunday school small but prosperous. In this parish the church has been finished and consecrated. In St. Matthew's, a neat edifice 34 by 44 feet is in progress of finishing: the funds for the finishing of which was bestowed by Episcopalians at the east.

On leaving this charge, which the missionary from ill health, was compelled to resign, he humbly indulges the hope, that "his labor has not been in vain in the Lord," but that "the seed which has been sown in tears, may yet be reaped with joy." St. Michael's Parish is now visited by Rev. J. Hall; St. Matthew's has no clerical ministrations: the Lay service, as usual, is kept up.

As a missionary, for the temporary supply of destitute Parishes within the limits of the N. E. Convocation; I have preached in Akron twice, and administered the Holy Communion; in Warren twice, and under favorable auspices, have re-organised the old parish of Christ Church. Thirty-one males friendly to the church, and desirous of her ministrations, signed the parochial instrument, and \$100 is pledged toward the support of a missionary for one fourth of the time. The court room is freely offered for the purpose: It was regretted that a delegate could not be sent to this Convention, but there is but one male communicant, and it was not possible for him to attend. We have 5 substantial communicants, and several anxiously enquiring the way of truth and salvation. Burial 1 infant. The offer of the Cleveland company of a building lot, and \$100 to the original parish failed; but a lively interest is cherished by a little flock in the services of our church, which we trust by God's blessing, will be sustained, if they can be permanently established. The missionary gratefully acknowledges the liberality of this people in providing means for coming to the Convention. Sickness has prevented other appointments. In reference to such missionary operations, experience fully shows, that were they sustained in the destitute parts of our Diocese, the great work of gathering souls into the fold of Christ would be greatly promoted. The Lord send forth laborers into his harvest, and give His blessing to this good work.

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK.

REV. J. UFFORD, MINISTER.

Number of baptisms, infants 2. Number of communicants 40, added 1. Number of Sunday school scholars 100, teachers 9.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PAINESVILLE.

REV. ALEXANDER VARIAN, RECTOR,

Reports, since the meeting of the last Convention, baptisms, 3 adults, 23 children, total 26; burials, 7 adults, 6 children, total 13; marriages 8; communicants, added 6, received by emigration 3, total 9; removed from this place, 3, died 2, stricken from the list for non-attendance 3, total 8; present number 33: confirmations, July 11, 1841, 5.

In addition to the duties of his own parish, the rector reports, also, missionary services in destitute places in his vicinity, averaging about once a week since the first of October last.

REV. M. T. C. WING,

Reports to the Bishop, that his clerical duties have been confined to preaching in his turn in the College chapel at Gambier, except some occasional ministrations in neighboring parishes.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

REV. A. WHEELER, MINISTER.

I arrived on the field of my labor, September 1, 1840. Have preached at Steubenville, Cross Creek, St. Clairsville, Springfield, Deersville, Hagerstown, Lees-

burg, Amsterdam, New Philadelphia, Massillon, Waynesburg, Carrollton and Augusta; but mostly at Springfield, Hagerstown, Leesburg, and Carrollton. One-half of my time at Springfield, and the other half at the other places mentioned — visiting and preaching also on week days as often as I could. I have generally found kind reception and attentive hearers, and some very warm and generous friends.

The congregation of St. John's Church, Springfield, is now in an encouraging state. I have there a Bible class of 15; a Sabbath school of 49, with 10 teachers, who are all members of the Bible class; and a fair prospect of increase in numbers and interest. There is a goodly number there expecting to be confirmed. Also, there has been a good degree of attention and improvement in sacred music during the past year. Communicants 35, baptisms 4 children, died 2, added 2, excluded 1, marriages 1. Collection for diocesan mission \$10, for Bishop's support \$8. The church at Hagerstown is nearly finished, so as to be comfortable for meetings. A few friends remain firm to the Church, and we fondly hope that their number will yet be greatly increased. We have in Leesburg a large and promising Sabbath school, in connection with others of different denominations, church people taking an active part, which promises much good to the cause of Christ.

Carrollton is an important point for the Church, and requires special attention, as I humbly think, at the present time. I have organized a parish there of late, by the name of Zion's Church, 22 names, a vestry, wardens, treasurer, clerk, &c. — \$130 subscribed, lumber mostly furnished, a contract about to be made, and a lot procured, and favorable aspect of families and important gentlemen, not particularly as yet taken up elsewhere in that young and rising county, who wish to see the Church prosper there. On the whole, we have reason to thank God and take courage.

The committee on credentials reported the names of the following Lay Delegates, who being called, answered to their names, and took their seats, viz:

Mr. C. P. Buckingham,	}	St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.
Mr. George Browning,		
Mr. A. H. Pinney,		Trinity Church, Columbus.
Mr. William B. Thrall,	}	St. Phillip's Church, Circleville.
Mr. Guy W. Doan,		

On motion, the convention adjourned to meet at half past 2 o'clock, P. M.

Friday, Sept. 10th, ½ past 2 o'clock, P. M.

After prayers by the Bishop, the roll was called. The Rev. M. K. Cushman, of Zion's Church, Dresden, Rev. Richard Bury, of Trinity Church, Cleveland, Rev. M. T. C. Wing, of Gambier, Rev. Hugh Kelly, of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria, appeared and took their seats in the Convention.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as related to Convocations, made the following report:

The committee on that portion of the Bishop's Address which relates to Convocations, beg leave to express their concurrence in the sentiments of the Address upon that subject, and to recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Missionary and Education Committee constitute the canonical organ for disbursing all funds collected by the Convocation.

Resolved, That it is the duty of the Treasurer of each Convocation, to transmit forthwith any sum received to the Missionary Committee of the Diocese, specifying, if the Convocation should desire it, the object or objects to which such sum is to be applied.

Resolved, That the appropriation of two Sundays by each clergyman of the Diocese to missionary labor, to be employed on some point to be designated by the Convocation to which he is attached, is an important feature of the entire plan, and ought to be faithfully attended to.

Resolved, That it is expedient to leave the appointment of the time for holding the annual meetings of the Convocation to their discretion, to be exercised as far as may be with reference to the visitations of the Bishop.

J. T. BROOKE, CH'N.

The Committee on Nominations offered the following report :

The Committee on Nominations report the names of the following persons for the several committees of the Diocese.

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

Clergy.

Rev. John T. Brooke,
 " Henry V. D. Johns,
 " Chauncey Colton, D. D.,

Laity.

David K. Este,
 Salmon P. Chase,
 Dr. Walcott Richards,

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing,
 " Alfred Blake,
 " Joseph Muensher,
 " John Sandels,

D. B. Douglass,
 H. L. Thrall,
 M. White,
 George Browning.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Columbus District.

Rev. C. Fox, P. B. Wilcox, A. Butties.

Cleveland District.

Rev. T. B. Fairchild, H. L. Noble, Josiah Barber.

Cincinnati District.

Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, Israel M. Bissel, D. K. Cady.

TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson, Ebenezer Lane,
 " Anson Clark, Wm. Key Bond,
 " Erastus Burr. Dr. Daniel Drake.

On motion of Mr. Edward H. Cumming, it was unanimously

Resolved, That ballotings for the above committees be dispensed with.

Mr. C. P. Buckingham proposed that the committees be read separately, and voted for in the order proposed by the Committee on Nominations, which was agreed to by a similar vote. The committees were then read separately, and unanimously elected in the order reported by the nominating committee.

Rev. Henry V. D. Johns gave notice to the Convention, that he would, to-morrow, propose an alteration to the *Fourth Canon*, relating to the appointment of lay delegates to the Diocesan Convention.

On motion the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Clerical Delegates to the General Convention, be a committee to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report on the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

On motion of Rev. James Bonnar, the Convention adjourned, to meet on Saturday morning, September 11th, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Saturday, September 11th, 1841.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. After prayer by the Bishop, the roll was called, the minutes read, amended and reported.

Rev. Abraham Edwards appeared and took his seat.

Mr. Bayliss offered several resolutions relative to the Episcopate fund, which were referred to a special committee of three, composed of Mr. Edward H. Cumming, Mr. William Key Bond, and Mr. Guy W. Doan, with instructions to report this afternoon, at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 o'clock.

The Bishop having made the following statement, it was, upon motion of Mr. C. P. Buckingham, ordered to be entered upon the journal, to wit: "I wish the Convention to understand, that so soon as a permanent fund for the support of the Episcopate shall be provided, yielding an income of fifteen hundred dollars, I will surrender the present legal salary of two thousand dollars."

The Treasurer of the Diocese made his annual report. The same was read and approved, and ordered to be entered upon the journal of the Convention. (See Appendix A.)

On motion of Mr. Bayliss, the Convention adjourned to meet at $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 o'clock, P. M.

Saturday, September 11th, 1841, $\frac{1}{2}$ past 2 o'clock, P. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment, the roll was called, and the Convention proceeded to business.

The committee appointed to nominate delegates to the General Convention, reported the following names:

Of the Clergy.

Rev. A. Smallwood,
" Henry V. D. Johns,
" Richard Bury,
" Erastus Burr,

Of the Laity.

Messrs. Josiah Barber,
John B. Bayliss,
I. N. Whiting,
Edward H. Cumming,

On motion of the Rev. John Ufford, ballotings for the committee were dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention. Whereupon, the vote being taken on the nominations as above reported, they were unanimously elected.

On motion the President appointed Mr. William Key Bond and Mr. J. B. Bayliss, a committee to audit the Treasurer's accounts.

The special committee appointed to take into consideration the resolutions offered by Mr. Bayliss, made the following report, which was unanimously accepted, and ordered to be entered upon the journal:

The Committee to whom was referred the resolutions offered by Mr. Bayliss, upon the subject of a permanent support of the Episcopate of this Diocese, together with the duty of ascertaining the condition of the provisions of the act of the Legislature of Ohio in relation to the same matter, report that the act of the General Assembly of Ohio, passed January 24th, 1821, is still in force, and contains all that is necessary in the matter of State legislation for the present, and, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That William Key Bond, David K. Este, and Salmon P. Chase, be, and they are hereby nominated for election, under the provisions of the existing law, to carry into effect the foregoing resolution, and for this purpose be authorized and required, as soon as may be, to employ an agent, or agents, to visit every parish in the diocese, and solicit donations to this fund.

2. *Resolved*, That with a view to facilitate the formation of this fund, the Trustees aforesaid be authorized to accept the voluntary services of such members of the church, whether they be clergymen or laymen, as may be willing to engage in the work of soliciting donations to the fund, and that in all cases of application, the agent be authorized to accept subscriptions of money, or grants of land, or the notes of vestries engaging to become responsible for certain amounts, and to pay legal interest on the same semi-annually, until it may be convenient to raise and pay the principal.

3. *Resolved*, That with a view to meet the expenses of the agent or agents, who may be employed by the aforesaid Trustees, they be authorized to divide the Diocese into convenient districts, and to assign to each agent one or more of said districts, and to request the vestries of the same to meet the expenses of the aforesaid agencies in a ratio proportioned to the number of adult attending members of each parish, provided that the charge shall not exceed fifty cents per annum to each adult.

4. *Resolved*, That the aforesaid Trustees shall report to each Convention the amount of the Episcopate Fund, and the manner in which it has been invested; and that they shall also publish once in each quarter the names of the contributors and the amount of their donations.

5. *Resolved*, That when the interest of this fund shall amount to the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, the said interest shall be paid semi-annually to the Bishop of this Diocese, and shall then constitute his salary; provided, that nothing hereinbefore stated shall prevent the Convention from such increase of this fund and of the Bishop's salary, as may in the lapse of time be found to be necessary.

6. *Resolved*, That the foregoing provisions are expressly declared not to interfere in any manner with the present provisions for the support of this Diocese.

7. *Resolved*, That the act of the General Assembly of Ohio, hereinbefore referred to, be made part of the foregoing report — be spread upon the journal of this Convention in connection therewith.

EDWARD H. CUMMING,
WILLIAM KEY BOND,
G. W. DOAN.

"An act to incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

"SEC. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Matthews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal, which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested, do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage: provided, that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.*

"SEC. 2. *Be it further enacted, That the trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modelled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful; provided, that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be, making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal church of the Diocese of Ohio.*

"January 24th, 1821."

Rev. M. T. C. Wing moved to appoint a committee on parochial assessments, which was carried in the affirmative; when the President appointed Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Rev. Intrepid Morse, Mr. Browning and Mr. Reynolds.

On motion of Dr. Drake, the gentlemen reported by the special committee, to whom was referred the resolutions of Mr. Bayliss, as trustees under the law of the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, passed January 24th, 1821, be elected to serve as such for the term of three years, as provided in said law. On motion, ballotings were dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention. Thereupon the trustees named in the report of the committee were unanimously elected, viz: William Key Bond, David K. Este, and Salmon P. Chase.

On motion of Rev. Erastus Burr, a committee of three was appointed to make arrangements for the customary missionary meeting to-morrow, Rev. Erastus Burr, Rev. Dr. Colton and Dr. John G. Wood were appointed said committee.

Mr. C. P. Buckingham offered the following preamble and resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas the Episcopal Residence of the Diocese has been found to require certain repairs and improvements, to make it comfortable and preserve it from injury, therefore

***Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to expend, under the direction of the Bishop, any sum not exceeding fifty dollars for that purpose.**

***Resolved*, That it shall be the duty of the Treasurer to report quarterly through the Diocesan paper, the amount of money received by him for the Episcopate fund, and from whence received.**

On motion the Canon relative to the support of the Episcopate, which was laid upon the table yesterday, was taken up, and the question being taken upon its adoption, was decided in the affirmative unanimously; and

the said Canon was ordered to be registered as number sixteen, and the present Canon number sixteen be registered number seventeen.

On motion, the Canon number four, relative to the election of lay delegates to the Diocesan Convention was taken up, notice having been given yesterday that an amendment would be proposed—whereupon, the Rev. Henry V. D. Johns moved to change the form of the Canon, which excluded non-communicants from serving as delegates, so as to allow one of the three lay delegates to be a non-communicant.

Mr. Storer moved to postpone the whole subject indefinitely, which was carried in the affirmative.

The Missionary and Education Committee made the following report, which was unanimously adopted, and ordered to be entered upon the journal:

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

It will be recollected that at the last annual Convention, provision was made by resolution for dividing the Diocese into six Missionary districts, with a view to the organization in each district of a clerical convocation.

The objects contemplated by these convocations so far as the Convention was concerned, were two, viz: the collecting of funds for Education and Missionary purposes, and the temporary supply of destitute parishes within their own bounds, with the occasional services of the members of the convocations. This plan if carried into effective operation, it was hoped would result in the realization of a larger amount than had heretofore been contributed to the objects referred to, and excite throughout the Diocese a deeper interest in the cause of missions, and a warmer sympathy in behalf of feeble congregations, destitute of the stated ministrations of the Gospel.

Soon after the adjournment of the Convention, measures were taken to carry into effect the resolutions of that body in reference to this matter, and six convocations were organized, the respective boundaries of which were designated by the Bishop according to a provision of the resolutions. The practical working of this system, during the first year of its operation, which has now terminated, has been highly satisfactory: all that could have been reasonably anticipated from it for the short period that has elapsed, has been realized; and the opinion is confidently entertained that its future results will be highly salutary to the interests of the church throughout the Diocese.

In one or two instances, the powers vested in the convocations by the resolution of Convention, have been, from misapprehension, transcended. The resolution provides that "the funds collected by each convocation shall be transmitted to the treasurer of the General Committee," by *whom* they "shall be appropriated, if desired, in reference to the wants of the district from which they come." From this resolution it appears that the convocations, so far as funds are concerned, were designed to be collecting agents simply of the Diocesan Committee. They are not empowered to make appropriations of moneys raised within their bounds, to missionaries of their own appointment: but are expected to pay over those moneys to the treasurer of the Diocesan Committee, or hold them subject to the order of that committee.

In several instances funds have been raised by individual parishes and transmitted directly to the treasurer of the Diocesan Committee, without passing

through the hands of the Convocation. As it is desirable that the full amount raised within the limits of each Convocation should be known, the committee would respectfully recommend that to prevent confusion, and to secure uniform accuracy, all moneys collected in future within the bounds of each Convocation, be, in the first instance deposited with the treasurer of that Convocation, and that he transmit them, as soon as his convenience will allow, or render an account of them to the treasurer of the General Committee, distinctly specifying the sources from which they came, and the specific object to which they are to be applied.

There has been received by the treasurer, during the past year, including a small balance in his hands when the last report was rendered, the sum of \$1672 88. Of this sum, \$244 45 were contributed by a friend of missions in Ohio, residing in England. Seventy-five dollars have also been received on the Cutler scholarship from Boston, Massachusetts. The balance has been raised in the Diocese. There has been contributed within the bounds of the several Conventions as follows:

North Eastern Convocation,	\$ 83 00
North Western do.	264 68
South Eastern do.	275 00
Central do.	86 67
Scioto do.	286 08
South Western do.	201 00

The committee have had under their patronage the past year *seven* beneficiaries, to whom appropriations have been made amounting to \$521 68. The number of Missionaries in the employ of the Committee during the year past, has been *nine*, of whom eight are now under appointment of the committee. Of these, three have been laboring within the bounds of the North Eastern Convocation: viz: Rev. Mr. Miller, Rev. Mr. Kelly, and Rev. Mr. Townsend. The Rev. Mr. Miller officiated for a portion of the year at Franklin, under the patronage of the committee: but has since removed to Wooster, where he has taken charge of a new and flourishing congregation, from which he derives his entire support. The Rev. Mr. Kelly labored during a part of the year in East Liverpool, but has since removed to Elyria, where he still officiates as a missionary of the committee. Three missionaries are laboring within the bounds of the South Eastern Convocation, viz: Rev. Mr. Gray, Rev. Mr. Henshaw, and Rev. Mr. Wheeler. Two missionaries are located within the limits of the South Western Convocation, viz: Rev. Mr. Payne, and Rev. Mr. Helfenstein. The Rev. Mr. Kelly is employed within the bounds of the North Western Convocation. Appropriations have been made to the missionaries of the committee, amounting to \$837 89.

It will appear from the treasurer's report, that of \$1672 88 received the past year, the sum of \$485 55½ cents has been paid to beneficiaries, \$858 67½ to missionaries, and \$1 31 for postage; leaving a balance in the treasury of \$329 38, all of which will be required to discharge existing obligations.

All which is respectfully submitted,

By order of the Committee,

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, SECRETARY.

Mr. Storer offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are due to the congregation of St. Paul's Church, and the citizens of Chillicothe generally, for their hospitality and christian kindness to the members, and that they are hereby affectionately tendered.

The committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's accounts made the following report, which was read, unanimously accepted, and ordered to be entered upon the journal, viz :

The committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's accounts, submit the following report :

That they have examined the said accounts and vouchers, and find the same correct. The committee submit the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the said account of the Treasurer be accepted.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be, and they are hereby tendered to the Treasurer, for the faithful discharge of the duties of his office during the past year.

Rev. S. A. Bronson nominated Mr. George Browning for re-election to the office of treasurer of this Diocese. On motion, ballots were dispensed with by a unanimous vote, when Mr. George Browning was unanimously re-elected Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio for the term of one year.

On motion of the Rev. S. A. Bronson, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer be directed to subscribe for one copy of the Western Episcopal Observer, to be paid for out of any funds remaining in his hands unappropriated.

On motion of Rev. S. A. Bronson, it was

Resolved, That the expenses of the Treasurer, in going to and from the Convention, be paid out of the treasury of the Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Douglass, it was

Resolved, That the next Convention be held at Ross Chapel, Gambier, on the third Wednesday of October, A. D. 1842.

On motion of the Rev. John T. Brooke, the Convention adjourned to meet at half past seven this evening.

Saturday evening, $\frac{1}{2}$ past 7 o'clock.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Bishop ; and the roll being called, the Convention proceeded to business.

Rev. William A. Smallwood offered the following preamble and resolutions ; and the question being put by the Secretary, they were unanimously adopted, and ordered to be entered upon the journal :

Whereas the Bishop of this Diocese has, during the last year, dedicated to the clergy of Ohio a work entitled "Oxford Divinity compared with that of the Romish and Anglican Churches;" a work devoted to the guarding of the church from error, on vitally important articles of its faith, therefore,

Resolved, unanimously, That this Convention receive with great sensibility, this evidence of his faithful care for their highest interests, and acknowledge with grateful emotions the eminent value of the volume to which it has given rise.

On motion, the report of the Committee on Domestic Missions, laid on the table yesterday was taken up, read as follows, and unanimously adopted.

Resolved, That the delegates to the General Convention be instructed to represent to that body, that in the view of the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, the present system on which the Domestic Missions of the church are conducted, is in need of some change for the purpose of enabling the Board of Missions to make the most efficient use of the fund committed to their charge; and further, to request that the subject may receive as soon as possible the most mature deliberation of the representative body of the church.

Mr. Henry Brush offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider the expediency of providing one or more canons for lay discipline; and, if deemed expedient, to report the same to the next Convention. The President appointed the Rev. Erastus Burr, Rev. Henry V. D. Johns, Rev. John T. Brooke, and Mr. William Key Bond said committee.

On motion of the Rev. John Swan, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention, with the Rev. Henry V. D. Johns and Rev. Chauncey Colton, be a committee to superintend the publication of the journal, and that two hundred and fifty copies of the same be published.

Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson offered the following resolution, which was adopted, viz:

Resolved, That it be the duty of the Treasurer of this Diocese to apply by letter or otherwise, to such parishes as in his judgment have been most backward in contributing to the support of the Bishop, for the purpose of making up the deficit of the year now past.

The faculty of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal church in the Diocese of Ohio made the following report, which was read, unanimously adopted, and ordered to be entered upon the journal.

REPORT OF THE FACULTY OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

The number of students who have prosecuted the study of Divinity in connection with the Seminary during the past year has been seven.

The Bishop of the Diocese, as Professor of Ecclesiastical Polity, instructed the senior class in that department during the winter term, using as the basis of instruction Potter on Church Government, Onderdonk on Episcopacy, Hooker's Ecclesiastical Polity, Sinclair on Liturgies, and Palmer on the church.

During the summer term, in consequence of the resignation of the late Milnor Professor of Systematic Divinity, and the department being still vacant, the Bishop instructed the middle class in the course belonging thereto; at the same time meeting all the theological students once a week in the chapel, for exercises in reading the liturgy, composition, and delivery of sermons, with criticism on the same.

With the Professor of Biblical Literature the junior class have read critically

the gospel of St. Matthew, and in Hebrew, the Chrestomathy and sixteen Psalms; also, Biblical Geography and Antiquities.

The middle class have read critically the Epistle to the Romans and the Epistle to the Hebrews in Greek, and portions of Isaiah, and of the minor prophets, in Hebrew.

With the Professor of Ecclesiastical History, the junior class has been engaged in the study of Christian Antiquities — and the middle and senior classes have prosecuted together the study of that portion of Ecclesiastical History comprehended between the eighth and sixteenth centuries, using Mosheim as the principal text book.

On motion of Mr.. Edward H. Cumming, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, as the sense of this Convention, that the spirit and ability with which the Western Episcopal Observer is conducted, merits the patronage of this Diocese.

The minutes were read, approved, and adopted; and after the Episcopal benediction, the Convention adjourned, *sine die*.

CHARLES P. M'ILVAINE,

Bishop of the Diocese and President of the Convention.

Attest:

WM. H. H. TAYLOR, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

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TREASURER'S STATEMENTS.

NO. I.

Deficit of Salary for the year ending Sept. 1, 1840. Assessed upon the Parishes at the last Convention.

G. BROWNING, Treasurer, in Account with Episcopate Fund, for deficit.

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To Cash received from August 10th, 1840, to September. 1841, inclusive, viz:

Assessment from Christ Church, Cincinnati, in full			\$200 00
do.	St. Paul's	do. in part*	90 00
do.	St. Paul's	Chillicothe, in full	50 00
do.	St. John's	Ohio City in full	50 00
do.	Trinity	Cleveland in full	90 00
do.	St. Paul's	Mt. Vernon in full	35 00
do.	St. Paul's	Akron in full	20 00
do.	St. Paul's	Steubenville in full	54 00
do.	St. James'	Painesville in part	27 00
do.	St. James'	Zanesville in full	60 00
do.	All Saints,	Portsmouth in full	46 00
do.	Grace	Berkshire in full	10 00
do.	St. James'	Cross Creek & Springfield in full	24 00
do.	St. Timothy	Massillon in full	40 00
do.	Trinity	Columbus in part	47 00
do.	St. Luke's	Marietta in full	24 00
do.	Trinity	Newark in full	40 00
do.	St. Paul's	Norwalk in full	30 00
do.	St. Andrew's	Elyria in full	6 00
do.	St. Luke's	Granville in full	30 00
do.	Bethel	Boston in full	3 00
do.	St. John's	Cuyahoga in full	24 00
do.	St. Luke's	Columbia in part	4 60
do.	Christ	Dayton in full	60 00
do.	St. Matthew's	Hamilton	30 00
do.	St. Phillip's	Circleville in part	22 50
do.	St. Paul's	Medina in full	24 00
do.	St. James'	Piqua in full	24 00
do.	St. Peter's	Ashtabula in part	30 00
do.	Harcourt	Gambier in full	10 00
do.	St. John's	Worthington in full	10 00
do.	Grace	Sandusky City in full	10 00
do.	St. James'	Boardman in full	18 00
do.	St. Thomas	St. Clairsville in full	5 00
do.	St. Stephen's	Grafton in full	10 00
do.	Christ	Franklin, Portage co. in part	6 00
do.	St. Matthew's	Madison, Muskingum co. in full	5 00
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* 50 dollars since paid.

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By Cash paid Bishop McIlvaine at various dates, from August 10th, 1840, to Sept. 11th, 1841, inclusive, as per receipts, \$1269 10

STATEMENT.

Amount of deficit for the year ending Sept. 1, 1840, as per Journal last Convention, and to meet which the assessment was made \$1451 11
Deduct receipts from said assessment to this date 1269 10

Balance due the Episcopate on said deficit \$182 01

G. BROWNING, TREASURER.

NO. II.

Salary of Episcopate for the year ending September 1, 1841.

G. BROWNING, Treasurer, in acc't with Episcopate Fund, for the year ending September, 1841.

DR.

To Cash received from September 1st, 1840 to September 1841, inclusive, viz:

do.	from Communicants, St. James' Church, Zanesville	-	\$87 00
do.	do. Christ, Cincinnati	-	13 60
do.	do. St. Paul's, Cincinnati	-	100 00
do.	do. St. James', Piqua	-	1 00
do.	do. St. Paul's, Steubenville	-	48 00
do.	do. St. Phillips', Circleville	-	26 00
do.	do. St. Luke's, Granville	-	32 00
do.	do. St. Luke's, Marietta	-	37 00
do.	do. Christ, Dayton	-	30 00
do.	do. St. John's, Cuyahoga	-	30 00
do.	do. Harcourt, Gambier	-	46 00
do.	do. St. Timothy's, Massillon	-	43 00
do.	do. Christ, Liverpool, by a gentleman,	-	3 00
do.	do. St. James', Painesville	-	4 00
do.	do. St. John's, Wakeman	-	9 00
do.	do. St. Matthew's, Plymouth	-	15 00
do.	do. A Lady of Parkman	-	5 00
do.	do. Zion's Church, Dresden	-	17 50
do.	do. A Friend, per Rev. Wm. F. Halsey, Mt. Vernon	-	50 00
do.	do. Col. John Johnson of Piqua	-	10 00
do.	do. Trinity Church, Columbus	-	103 00
do.	do. All Saints, Portsmouth	-	40 00
do.	do. St. Paul's, Medina	-	25 00
do.	do. St. Peter's, Delaware	-	50 00
do.	do. Grace, Berkshire	-	15 00
do.	do. St. Matthew's, Hamilton	-	13 00
do.	do. Trinity, Newark	-	27 00
do.	do. St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon	-	31 00
do.	do. Bethel, Boston	-	11 00
do.	do. All Souls, Springfield	-	5 00
do.	do. St. Luke's, Columbia	-	5 00
do.	do. St. Paul's, Chillicothe	-	33 00
do.	do. St. John's, Worthington	-	15 00
do.	do. Trinity, Cleveland	-	100 00
do.	do. St. John's, Ohio City	-	30 00
do.	do. St. Andrew's, Elyria	-	5 00
do.	do. St. Paul's, Akron	-	15 00
do.	do. St. Matthew's, Madison, Muskingum co.	-	5 00

\$125750

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By Cash paid Bishop M'Ilvaine at various dates, from Sept. 1, 1840, to Sept. 11th, 1841, inclusive, as per receipts - - \$1257 50

STATEMENT.

Salary of Episcopate as fixed at last Convention,		2000 00
Receipts to this date as above,	1257 50	
Bishop's voluntary relinquishment on the above,	500 00	1757 50
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Balance due the Episcopate for the year ending September 1, 1841,		242 50

AGGREGATE RECEIPTS FOR THE PAST YEAR.

On assessment for deficit for the year ending September 1, 1840,	1269 10
On salary of year ending September 1, 1841,	1257 50
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Total,	\$2526 60

AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF DEFICIT OF SALARY OF EPISCOPATE TO THIS DATE.

Balance of deficit for the year ending September 1, 1840,	182 01
Deficit for the past year ending September 1, 1841,	242 50
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Total,	424 51

G. BROWNING, TREASURER.

September 11, 1841.

SUPPLEMENT.

Received balance from St. Phillip's, Circleville, on the assessment for deficit of salary, 7 50
 The total deficit on salary of Episcopate will therefore be reduced to \$417 01
 G. BROWNING, TREASURER.

NO. III.

Diocesan Fund.

G. BROWNING, Treasurer in account with the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio.

1840.

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Sept. 1.	To cash in treasury this date,		17 59
	do. from St. Paul's, Steubenville, assessment for 1840-41		10 00
	do. Trinity, Cleveland,	do. do.	16 00
	do. St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	do. do.	10 00
Sept. 10.	do. do. do.	do. 1841-42	2 00
1841.	do. St. James', Zanesville,	do. 1840-41	12 00
	do. All Saints, Portsmouth,	do. do.	7 00
	do. Christ's, Cincinnati,	do. do.	25 00
	do. St. Paul's, Medina,	do. do.	7 00
	do. St. Peter's, Delaware,	do. do.	9 00
	do. Grace, Berkshire,	do. 1839-40 and 40-41	6 90
	do. St. Luke's, Granville,	do. 1840-41	7 00
	do. Trinity, Newark,	do. do.	7 00
	do. St. Luke's, Marietta,	do. do.	7 00
	do. St. John's, Cuyahoga,	do. do.	5 00
	do. St. Timothy's, Massillon,	do. do.	5 00
	do. All Soul's, Springfield,	do. do.	2 00
	do. St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	do. do.	12 00
	do. St. John's, Worthington, in part,	do. do.	3 00

Sept. 10,	To cash from St. John's, Ohio city, for assessment from 1840—	41	9	00
1841.	do. St. Paul's, Akron,	do.	do.	2 00
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				\$181 49

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Nov. 13.	By cash paid W. C. Press, on account for printing Journal, per receipt,	\$30	00	
Dec. 16.	By cash paid Myers and Miller's account for binding Journal,	12	46	
do.	By cash paid for postages, per receipt,	1	25	
1841, July 26.	do. do. do.	1	63	
do.	do. stationery, do.		25	
Sept. 10.	By cash paid to order of Dr. Colton, for balance of account of printing Journal,	80	75	
do.	do. Bishop McIlvaine's incidental expenses, (postages to September 1st,)	17	85	
	Balance in the Treasury,	37	30	
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				\$181 49

G. BROWNING, TREASURER.

Chillicothe, Sept. 10, 1841.

*Education Fund of the Diocese of Ohio, in account with M. T. C. Wing,
Treasurer.*

DR.

Received from	Collection at Convention, $\frac{1}{4}$	-	-	-	33	31 $\frac{1}{2}$
	Christ Church, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	22	50
	St. Phillip's, Circleville,	-	-	-	36	68
	Rev. A. Sandford,	-	-	-	2	50
	Cutler Scholarship, Boston,	-	-	-	75	00
February.	Christ Church, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	35	00
	Ladies' Miss. Society, Trinity Church, Columbus,				37	25
	All Saints, Portsmouth, $\frac{1}{2}$,	-	-	-	10	00
	Harcourt Parish, Gambier, balance,	-	-	-	3	37 $\frac{1}{2}$
	Central Convocation, collected at Gambier,				45	83
	Scioto Convocation, collected at Chillicothe, $\frac{1}{2}$				28	00
	Central Convocation, collected at Worthington,				8	43
	Portraits sold by Rev. Mr. Townsend,	-	-	-	3	00
	Female Benevolent Society, St. James, Piqua,				9	00
	A friend of Missions, Liverpool,	-	-	-	7	00
	Female Missionary Society, St. Phillip's, Circleville,				41	25
	Trinity Church, Cleveland,	-	-	-	20	00
	St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	-	-	-	15	00
	Portraits sold by Mr. Guion,	-	-	-	3	00
	St. James' Cross Creek,	-	-	-	30	00
	St. Paul's, Steubenville,	-	-	-	30	00
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						\$496 11 $\frac{3}{4}$

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By cash paid to beneficiaries, per order of committee,	-	\$344	05 $\frac{1}{2}$	
do. on loan to Theological student, without interest,	-	140	00	
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				484 05 $\frac{1}{2}$
Balance to new account,				12 05 $\frac{1}{2}$
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				\$496 11

ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS

Made at the 24th Annual Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, held in Chillicothe, in September, 1841.

Churches	Towns	Incumbents	Baptisms		Communicants		Confirmed	Marriages	Funerals	Sunday School	Bible Class	Contributions to Benevolent objects.
			Infants	Adults	Total	Died or removed	Added	Pres. No.				
Christ Church	Dayton	Ethan Allen	4		4	7	8	55	6	5		\$ 30 00
St. John's	Wakeman	Thomas Barrow				1	8	25	3	7		6 17
St. Luke's	Marietta	J. Bonnar, B. D.	5		5	10	4	46	2	3		
Bethel	Boston	A. Bronson	3		3	1	8	24	2	10		2 78
St. Luke's	Granville	A. Bronson	1	1	2	11	10	60	3	6		55 00
Christ	Cincinnati	John T. Brooke	23	5	28	16	21	141	12	16		1300 00
All Saints	Portsmouth	Erastus Burr	12	2	14	6	7	67	15	14	85	20 00
Trinity	Cleveland	Richard Bury	29	4	33	16	24	138	7	15	100	30 00
St. Paul's	Norwalk	A. Clark	9		9	5	2	58	2	7	35	17 00
St. Philip's	Circleville	A. Clark	1		1		2	50	2	2		
Grace	Cincinnati	Chauncey Colton, D. D.			3			22			54	
St. Paul's	Akron		2	2	4			22	2	3		
Zion	Dresden	M. K. Cushman			2			9				
St. Matthew's	Muskingum Co.		3	2	5			14	1	3	60	
Trinity	Troy	James Jay Okill						16	6	1		
St. Paul's	Mt. Vernon	W. F. Halsey						46	11	2	57	20 00
St. John's	Cynthiana Falls	Thomas E. Fairchild	10	5	15		15	103	10	4	1	
Trinity	Columbus	Charles Fox	23	1	24		10	70	10	22	150	35 00
St. Peter's	Delaware	S. G. Gasaway	12	4	16		19	101	13	4	75	
St. Paul's	Medina	William Granville	6	1	7	5	4	80	6	3	75	55 03 1/2
St. James	Cross Creek	Richard Gray	6	1	7	3	10	20	1	1	66	7 73 1/2
St. Thomas	St. Clairsville	Richard Gray	5	1	6	6	13	69	11	1		59 26
St. James	Piqua	Alvah Guion	10		10			4				
St. Mark's	Sidney	Alvah Guion	7		7	7	7	97	2	1		
St. Peter's	Ashtabula	John Hall	2		2	2	1	22	1	1		
St. Michael's	Unionville	John Hall, p.m. tem.	2	4	6	2	14	22	1	1		

Christ.	Liverpool	Joseph Mays	1	12	2138	217	140	240	1275	2
St. James's	Wooster	Orin Miller	2	9	31	108	4	8	100	11 71
St. Paul's	Steubenville	Isotrepd Morse	14	3	57	13	23	2	186 00	1 61
Christ's	Franklin	Orin Miller	6	6	23	13	4	7		
St. Matthew's	Hawilton	Henry Payne		28	23	12	4	4	40	28 50
St. Paul's	Chillicothe	Willard Presbury	10	14	96	20	8	7	170 00	
All Soul's	Springfield	W. A. Smallwood	9	11	57	10	16	11	80	42 00
St. James'	Zanesville	Ass Stanley, Sen. War.	2	6	79	5	6	8	44 97	
Christ	Franklin	George B. Sturges	5	12	34	5	2	1		
Grace	Berkshire	John Swan,	11	9	5	1	2	1		
St. Timothy's	Massillon	David W. Tolford	8	6	5	3	26	3		
St. John's	Ohio City	C. C. Townsend, Mis-	6	2	23	4	3	1		
St. Matthew's	Plymouth	sionary	2	23	3	2	9	13	49	1
St. Michael's	Unionville	Alexander Varian	1	2	35	2	5	1		
Christ	Warren	A. Wheeler	3	26	173	297	2138	217	140	240
Trinity	Newark		23	4	325	54	406	173	297	1275
St. John's	Springfield		4							2

Report of the Committee on the Assessment of Parishes.

The Committee on Parochial Assessments, beg leave to report the following assessments for 1841-2.

Trinity Church, Columbus,	-	-	-	-	-	\$20 00
St. James', Zanesville,	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. James, Boardman,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
All Saints, Portsmouth,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
St. Thomas, St. Clairsville,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. Mark's, Millcreek,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. Matthew's, Perry,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Christ Church, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	-	-	25 00
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	-	-	25 00
St. John's, Worthington,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. James', Piqua,	-	-	-	-	-	8 00
St. Paul's, Steubenville,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. James', Cross Creek,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Paul's, Medina,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
St. Peter's, Delaware,	-	-	-	-	-	9 00
Grace Church, Berkshire,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
St. Stephen's, Grafton,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. Matthew's, Hamilton,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Phillip's, Circleville,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
Trinity Church, Troy,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
St. Luke's, Granville,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
Trinity Church, Newark,	-	-	-	-	-	8 00
St. Luke's, Marietta,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
Trinity Church, Cleveland,	-	-	-	-	-	20 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
St. Paul's, Mount Vernon,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
Christ Church, Dayton,	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
St. John's, Cuyahoga,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
St. James', Painesville,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
Harcourt, Gambier,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. Michael's, Unionville,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. John's, Ohio City,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
St. Timothy's, Massillon,	-	-	-	-	-	6 00
St. Jude's, Montville,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Trinity Church, Lyne,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Christ Church, Liverpool,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Matthew's, Ashtabula,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Andrew's, Elyria,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Trinity Church, Jefferson,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Paul's, Greenville,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. John's, Wakeman,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Stephen's, East Liverpool,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Paul's, Maumee City,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. John's, Eaton,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Trinity Church, Toledo,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Bethel, Boston,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Phillip's, Strongsville,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. John's, Dover,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Paul's, Akron,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00

All Soul's, Springfield,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. Luke's, Columbia,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Grace Church, Sandusky city,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. John's, Huron,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. Matthew's, Madison,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
St. Peter's, Rome,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Christ Church, Franklin,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Christ Church, Warren,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Matthew's, Plymouth,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
Zion Church, Dresden,	-	-	-	-	-	2 00
Grace Church, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. James', Wooster,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
St. John's, Springfield,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
St. Mark's, Sidney,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00

The above assessment is a small increase on that of the past year, and is thought to be sufficient to meet the contingent expenses of the Diocese for the ensuing year.

M. T. C. WING, CHAIRMAN.

The Missionary Fund of the Diocese of Ohio, in account with M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer.

DR.

September, 1840.

To balance in Treasury,	-	-	-	-	-	\$10 65
Received from St. James', Zanesville,	-	-	-	-	-	25 00
St. Timothy, Massillon,	-	-	-	-	-	24 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	-	-	-	-	-	10 00
Cash,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	-	-	-	-	-	30 65
Offerings, St. James', Piqua,	-	-	-	-	-	16 00
Benevolent Society, in do.	-	-	-	-	-	16 00
Sunday School offering, do.	-	-	-	-	-	1 06
Collection at Convention,	-	-	-	-	-	99 93
Rev. Mr. Henshaw's subscription,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
St. Luke's, Columbia,	-	-	-	-	-	3 85
A Youth, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	-	-	1 00
E. H. Pierce, Gambier,	-	-	-	-	-	4 00
St. James', Zanesville,	-	-	-	-	-	25 00
Portraits sold,	-	-	-	-	-	7 00
Christ Church, Cincinnati, Sunday School,	-	-	-	-	-	20 00
do. do.	-	-	-	-	-	20 50
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	-	-	-	-	-	12 00
N. W. Convocation, by Bishop McIlvaine,	-	-	-	-	-	6 65
Mr. Doddridge, by Rev. Mr. Bury,	-	-	-	-	-	3 00
Rev. A. Sandford,	-	-	-	-	-	2 50
A friend to Ohio Missionary, England,	-	-	-	-	-	244 45
Female Missionary Society, Steubenville,	-	-	-	-	-	100 00
H. T. Woodward, Missionary box,	-	-	-	-	-	5 00
St. Paul's, Utica,	-	-	-	-	-	2 80
Ladies' Missionary Society, Delaware,	-	-	-	-	-	6 25

Received from Scioto Convocation at Chillicothe, $\frac{1}{2}$	-	28 00
Ladies' Sewing Society, do.	-	7 00
Christ Church, Dayton,	-	40 00
Ladies' Missionary Society, Worthington,	-	10 00
St. James', Piqua,	-	20 00
St. Timothy's, Massillon,	-	10 00
All Saint's, Portsmouth, $\frac{1}{2}$	-	10 00
Ladies' Missionary Society, Columbus,	-	56 00
Mr. and Mrs. Champin, Rome,	-	7 00
N. W. Convocation, including subscriptions of		
\$150, from St. Andrew's, Elyria,	-	223 58
St. Paul's, Steubenville, paid Mr. Kelly,	-	15 00
S. E. Convocation, collected at Zanesville,	-	20 00
St. James' Cross Creek, paid Mr. Henshaw,	-	30 00
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Paid Rev. Mr. Cuthwen,	-	\$46 00
Gray,	-	49 04
O. Miller,	-	75 00
A. Clarke,	-	50 00
Wheeler,	-	90 00
Kelly,	-	50 00
J. Henshaw,	-	60 00
Gray,	-	51 00
O. Miller,	-	10 00
Helfenstein,	-	61 25
Henshaw,	-	80 00
H. Kelley,	-	228 80
do.	-	15 00
postage, Rev. J. Muenschen,	-	1 31
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		\$887 49

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ON

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ERRATA.

Page 29, line 35 from top, for "instituted" read substituted.
Page 39, line 24 from top, for "exacted" read expected.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

- The Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D. D.,** Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Gambier.
- The Rev. Ethan Allen,** Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.
- The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, D. D.,** President of Woodward College, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. Norman Badger,** Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.
- The Rev. Albert Barnes,** Deacon.
- The Rev. Alfred Blake,** Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.
- The Rev. James B. Britton,** Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.
- The Rev. Abraham Bronson,** Rector of Bethel Church, Boston.
- The Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson,** Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.
- The Rev. John T. Brooke,** Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. John L. Bryan,** officiating in Windsor and Batavia.
- The Rev. Erastus Burr,** Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.
- The Rev. William M. Burton,** residing at Lebanon.
- The Rev. Richard Bury,** Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. Anson Clarke,** Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.
- The Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D.,** Rector of Grace Church, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. G. S. Davis,** Rector of St. Andrews' Church, Elyria.
- The Rev. George Denison,** Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
- The Rev. A. F. Dobb,** Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.
- The Rev. Abraham Edwards,** Rector of St. David's Church, Gallia County, and Missionary.
- The Rev. Joshua T. Eaton,** Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman.
- The Rev. Robert S. Elder,** Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Missionary.
- The Rev. William Fagg,** Deacon, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Lower Sandusky.
- The Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild,** Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.
- The Rev. John Foster,** Deacon, residing at Lebanon.

List of the Clergy.

The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron, and Missionary.

The Rev. William Granville, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. Richard Gray, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and Missionary.

The Rev. Stephen G. Gassaway, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

The Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

The Rev. John Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The Rev. Albert Helfenstein, Sen., Missionary at St. Mary's.

The Rev. John Henshaw, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek, and Missionary.

The Rev. Richard S. Killin, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

The Rev. Joseph S. Large, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee City, and Missionary.

~~The~~ Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of Christ Church, Huron.

The Rev. Joseph Mayo, Rector of Christ Church, Liverpool.

The Rev. G. G. Moore, Deacon.

The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. Joseph Muenschner, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

The Rev. James J. Okill, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

The Rev. Henry Payne.

The Rev. Alanson Phelps, Assistant minister of Bethel Church, Boston, and Missionary in Grafton.

The Rev. Willard Presbury, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield, and Missionary.

The Rev. Edward W. Peet.

The Rev. Ephraim Punderson, Rector of Trinity Church, Lyme.

The Rev. Henry L. Richards, Deacon, officiating in Columbus.

The Rev. John Sandels, Professor of the Latin and Greek Languages and Literature, in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. Alvah Sanford, Principal of the Granville Female Seminary.

The Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, Deacon, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster.

The Rev. George B. Sturges, Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire.

The Rev. John Swan, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

The Rev. David W. Tolford.

- The Rev. Charles C. Townsend**, Rector of Christ Church, Warren, and St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls, and Missionary.
- The Rev. John Ufford.**
- The Rev. Alexander Varian**, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.
- The Rev. Abraham Wheeler**, Rector of St. James' Church, Springfield, and Missionary.
- The Rev. M. T. C. Wing**, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.
- The Rev. Edward Winthrop**, officiating in St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

Whole Number, 60.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop,	
Rev. Ethan Allen,	Rev. John Henshaw,
Norman Badger,	Hugh Kelly,
Alfred Blake,	Richard S. Killin,
Sherlock A. Bronson,	Joseph S. Large,
John L. Bryan,	Samuel Marks,
Erastus Burr,	Joseph Mayo,
Richard Bury,	Joseph Muenscher,
Anson Clark,	James J. Okill,
G. S. Davis,	Alanson Phelps,
George Denison,	Willard Presbury,
Joshua T. Eaton,	John Sandels,
Robert S. Elder,	Alvah Sanford,
Thomas B. Fairchild,	William A. Smallwood,
Lyman N. Freeman,	George B. Sturges,
William Granville,	Charles C. Townsend,
Richard Gray,	Alexander Varian,
Stephen G. Gassaway,	Abraham Wheeler,
John Hall,	M. T. C. Wing.

Total—37.

CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE

PRESENT AT CONVENTION BUT NOT MEMBERS THEREOF.

Rev. James B. Britton,	Rev. A. F. Dobb,
William Fagg,	Henry L. Richards.

LIST OF THE LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

<i>St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe,</i>	Albert Douglass.
<i>St. James', Boardman,</i>	Stanley C. Lockwood.
<i>St. Paul's, Norwalk,</i>	John R. Bowes.
<i>St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,</i>	Columbus Delano,
	J. C. Stockton.
<i>St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co.</i>	John McCullough.
<i>St. Peter's, Delaware,</i>	C. Howard.
<i>St. Paul's, Medina,</i>	David Hitchcock.
<i>St. Paul's, Utica,</i>	C. K. Warner,
	H. P. Smythe.
<i>St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,</i>	Frederick Wolcott.
<i>St. John's, Worthington,</i>	Ozias Burr,
	Philo Burr,
	George H. Griswold.
<i>Harcourt Parish, Gambier,</i>	D. B. Douglass,
	H. L. Thrall,
	E. W. Crittenden.
<i>St. John's, Lancaster,</i>	William J. Reese.
<i>St. James', Piqua,</i>	James Starret.
<i>St. Paul's, Maumee City,</i>	Andrew Young.
<i>Trinity, Columbus,</i>	A. H. Pinney.
<i>Trinity, Newark,</i>	D. L. Elder.
<i>St. James', Zanesville,</i>	Isaac Dillen.
<i>St. Paul's, Cincinnati,</i>	David Gwynne.
<i>Trinity, Cleveland,</i>	Henry L. Noble.
	Charles D. Brayton.
<i>St. Timothy's, Massillon,</i>	J. L. Reynolds,
<i>Christ Church, Springfield, Clark Co.</i>	Edward H. Cumming,
	J. Ludlow.
<i>Christ Church, Warren,</i>	Herman Canfield.
<i>St. James', Wooster,</i>	H. Lehman.
<i>Grace Church, Berkshire,</i>	J. P. Crawford.
	David Prince.
<i>St. Mark's, Mill Creek,</i>	Andrew Lockard.
<i>St. James', Cross Creek,</i>	Charles Morehead.
<i>St. Matthew's, Perry Township,</i>	} John Trimble.
<i>Coshocton Co.</i>	
<i>Christ Church, Hudson,</i>	Henry O'Brien,
	Frederick Brown.

*St. Mark's, Newton Falls,
St. Luke's, Granville,
Christ Church, Cincinnati,
St. Paul's, Akron,
Grace Church, Sandusky City.*

A. T. Benedict,
H. A. Dubois.
A. P. Prichard.
W. K. Bond,
John Raymond.
T. W. Barker,
Abner Root.

Total—45.

LIST OF PARISHES

CANONICALLY IN UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF
OHIO.

Christ Church, Cincinnati,
Grace Church, "
St. James', Boardman,
Grace Church, Berkshire,
Trinity, Newark,
St. Luke's, Granville,
St. James', Piqua,
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,
St. Paul's, Steubenville,
St. John's, Springfield,
St. Philip's, Circleville,
St. Stephen's Grafton,
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,
St. Luke's, Marietta,
St. Paul's, Norwalk,
All Saints, Portsmouth,
St. Timothy's, Massillon,
St. Matthew's, Hamilton,
St. Paul's, Utica,
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,
St. Peter's, Rome,
Christ Church, Liverpool,
Trinity, Lyme,
Bethel, Boston,
St. John's, Lancaster,
St. Andrew's, Elyria,
St. Paul's, Maumee City,
St. John's, Dover,
St. Stephen's, East Liverpool,
Zion, Dresden,
St. James', Wooster,
Christ Church, Hudson,
St. Paul's, Hartsgrove,

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati,
Christ Church, Dayton,
St. John's, Worthington,
Trinity, Cleveland.
Trinity, Columbus,
Harcourt, Gambier,
Trinity, Troy,
St. Peter's, Delaware,
St. James', Cross Creek,
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,
St. Paul's, Medina,
Christ Church, Windsor,
St. James', Zanesville,
St. Matthew's, Perry,
St. Michael's, Unionville,
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,
St. Matthew's, Plymouth,
Christ Church, Springfield,
St. James', Painesville,
St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,
Christ Church, Franklin,
Grace Church, Sandusky City,
St. Paul's, Akron,
St. Philip's, Strongsville,
St. John's, Ohio City,
St. Paul's, Greenville,
Trinity, Jefferson, Ashtabula Co.
St. John's, Wakeman,
Christ Church, Huron,
St. Mark's, Sidney,
Christ Church, Warren.
St. Mark's, Newton Falls.
St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky.

JOURNAL.

HARCOURT PARISH, GAMBIER, OHIO, }
Thursday, September 8th, 1842. }

A special Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio having been called by the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese to meet in this place at this time, the Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, with several Clergymen and Lay Delegates assembled in Rosse Chapel, Harcourt Parish, at half past 10 o'clock, A. M. Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Alexander Varian, and the Lessons for the day by the Rev. Samuel Marks. The Ante-Communion Service was read by the Bishop, and the Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. George Denison, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark. After the Religious Services were concluded, the Bishop took the chair and called the Convention to order. The Rev. Mr. Muenscher was requested by the Bishop to act as Secretary *pro tem*. A list of the clergy constitutionally entitled to seats being called, the following persons answered to their names and took their seats:

The Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D. D.,	
Rev. Ethan Allen,	Rev. Hugh Kelly,
Norman Badger,	Richard S. Killin,
John L. Bryan,	Joseph S. Large,
Erastus Burr,	Samuel Marks,
Richard Bury,	Joseph Mayo,
G. S. Davis,	Joseph Muenscher,
George Denison,	James J. Okill,
Joshua T. Eaton,	Willard Presbury,
Robert S. Elder,	William A. Smallwood.
Thomas B. Fairchild,	George B. Sturges,
Lyman N. Freeman,	John Sandels,
William Granville,	Charles C. Townsend,
Richard Gray,	Alexander Varian,
Stephen G. Gassaway,	Abraham Wheeler,
John Hall,	M. T. C. Wing.
John Henshaw,	

The list of Parishes entitled to representation in the Convention being called, the testimonials of the lay delegates were laid

on the table and the Convention was declared by the Bishop, to be duly organized.

The Bishop then appointed the Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Rev. Erastus Burr, and Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild, a Standing Committee on the credentials of lay delegates.

The Convention then proceeded to the election of a Secretary; whereupon, balloting being dispensed with, the Rev. Mr. Muen-scher was declared to be unanimously elected *viva voce*.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and after prayer by the Bishop proceeded to business. The roll of the clergy being called, the following persons, in addition to those already mentioned, answered to their names, and took their seats, viz:

Rev. Alfred Blake, Rev. Alvah Sanford, Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson.

The Committee on the credentials of Lay Delegates, reported the canonical certificates of twenty-seven churches, and the lay delegates being called, the following answered to their names, viz:

St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe,

St. James', Boardman,

St. Paul's, Norwalk,

St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,

St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co.

St. Peter's, Delaware,

St. Paul's, Medina,

St. Paul's, Utica,

St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,

St. John's, Worthington,

Harcourt Parish, Gambier,

St. John's, Lancaster,

St. James', Piqua,

St. Paul's, Maumee City,

Trinity, Columbus,

Trinity, Newark,

St. James', Zanesville,

St. Paul's, Cincinnati,

Trinity, Cleveland,

St. Timothy's, Massillon,

Albert Douglass.

Stanley C. Lockwood.

John R. Bowes.

Columbus Delano,

J. C. Stockton.

John McCullough.

C. Howard.

David Hitchcock.

C. K. Warner,

H. P. Smythe.

Frederick Wolcott.

Ozias Burr,

Philo Burr,

George H. Griswold.

D. B. Douglass,

E. W. Crittenden.

William J. Reese.

James Starret.

Andrew Young.

A. H. Pinney.

D. L. Elder.

Isaac Dillen.

David Gwynne.

Henry L. Noble.

Charles D. Brayton.

J. L. Reynolds,

Christ Church, Springfield, Clark Co. Edward H. Cumming,
J. Ludlow.

Christ Church, Warren, Herman Canfield.

St. James', Wooster, H. Lehman.

Grace Church, Berkshire, J. P. Crawford.

David Prince.

St. Mark's, Mill Creek, Andrew Lockard.

St. James', Cross Creek, Charles Morehead.

St. Matthew's, Perry Township, }
Coshocton Co. } John Trimble.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Burr,

Resolved, That Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, candidates for orders in the same, and lay readers in the Diocese, who may be in this village during the sittings of this Convention, and are not members thereof, be invited to its sittings, and their names entered on the Journal.

In accordance with the above resolution, the following clergymen appeared and took their seats.

Rev. A. F. Dobb, Rector of Trinity Church Columbus.

Rev. James B. Britton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

Rev. William Fagg, Deacon,

Rev. Henry L. Richards, Deacon.

The Rev. Mr. Bronson, Rev. Mr. Sandels and Caleb Howard Esq., were appointed a committee on the admission of New Parishes.

The Rev. Mr. Bury and E. H. Cumming Esq., were appointed a committee on unfinished business.

The Rev. Mr. Smallwood moved that the rules of order adopted at the last Convention be adopted as the rules of order of the present Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Muenschler offered as an amendment, sundry alterations of and additions to the rules of order of the last Convention. The resolution of the Rev. Mr. Smallwood, and the amendment were, on motion of Rev. Mr. Allen, referred to a select committee.

The Rev. Mr. Bury, and Messrs D. B. Douglass and F. Wolcott, were appointed said committee.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine then delivered the following annual

A D D R E S S .

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:—

Again we meet together in the Church militant; our warfare not yet accomplished, our race still unfinished. Death has changed

the residence and work of none of our clergy, since the last assembling of this body. All have been given another year to labour for their Master and Lord, and to make full proof of their ministry. I trust that year has been truly devoted by each of us to the great work given us to do; and that precious fruits of life bear witness, before God, that as stewards of his heritage we have been faithful.

But though none of our brethren of the clergy of this diocese have been called to die, I feel it my duty, out of most respectful and affectionate veneration for the memory of an aged father in the Church, to mention here the affliction sustained by this diocese. in common with our whole Zion, in the departure out of this life, in November last, of that beloved Bishop, the Right Rev. Richard Channing Moore, D. D. The venerable form, the mild, benevolent countenance, beaming with affectionate tenderness and kindness; the grave, dignified and most courteous manner of that good man can never be forgotten. But how long will Virginia, especially, delight to tell of the sweet and heavenly piety, the overflowing love, the simple earnest zeal, the tender entreaties and exhortations, mingled with many tears and melting all hearts, which made that dear old man so beloved wherever he went, and so effective wherever he preached! We have lost him, but he has found his home and exceeding great reward. Our bereavement, however, is attended with this consoling reflection, that by causing the former Assistant Bishop to take the place of Bishop of Virginia it has led to the election of one to the place of Assistant Bishop,—the Rev. John Johns, D. D., whom we shall greatly rejoice in seeing elevated to the Episcopate. Virginia will again be greatly blessed under the joint oversight of two Bishops. The consecration of Dr. Johns is expected to take place in October, at Richmond, Va.

I must not omit to congratulate the Church, on the additions made to the number of her Bishops, by the elevation of the Rev. Alfred Lee, D. D., to the Bishopric of Delaware. He was consecrated in New York, during the session of the late General Convention. During the same Convention, two Missionary Bishops were nominated by the House of Bishops, one for Texas, another for Africa. A small majority of the house of Deputies, acting upon views of the constitutional rights and duties of the Church, with regard to missions in foreign countries, which, if correct, would be exceedingly humiliating to her claim of apostolic model, but which I surely believe were without any reason,—prevailed to prevent the nomination from being acted on.

The time appointed by the last Convention for the succeeding, was

the third Wednesday of October next. As that date will occur when a large part of the means at this place of accommodating the persons attending the Convention will be occupied by students, it soon became obvious that a change in the time of holding the Convention would be necessary. By virtue therefore of the power vested in the Bishop, by the 4th Article of the Constitution, to call special conventions, and in concurrence with the advice of the Standing Committee, I called the Convention at this time, with the expectation that the usual business of the annual convention would be transacted. If such should be the case, you will take such order as will be necessary to make the present Convention a substitute for that appointed to meet on the 3rd Wednesday of October next.

I cannot but turn your attention, just now, to the evidence of the blessing of God, upon the Church in this Diocese, in the increase of its strength, as exhibited in the contrast between the number of our clergy to-day, and the number when the Convention last met in this place, in the year 1833. Then the whole number was 23; now it is 61.

My visitations, since the last Convention, have not been so extensive as I expected to make them. The duty of attendance at the General Convention required my absence from the diocese for a large part of the time in Autumn usually devoted to visitation. From that Convention I returned in a state of health too much impaired to perform any duty abroad, until the roads became unfit for travelling. The Spring months were almost entirely occupied in visitation. Contrary to my usual plan of avoiding exhausting labours in the warm months, well knowing from experience how much my health requires much quietness at that season, I attempted a visitation of the north-western portion of the diocese in the beginning of July. At the second appointment, I was seized violently with fever, and obliged, after confinement to the bed for some days, to return home and avoid travelling and fatiguing work abroad during the rest of the summer. I must here acknowledge my debt of gratitude, for the assiduous and kind, as well as judicious care which I received, in my illness at the house of the Rev. Mr. Marks, at Huron, alike from himself and family and members of his parish. In consequence of this providential interruption of my plans, the amount of diocesan duty has not been so great as I hoped to accomplish; though perhaps as much as it was wise to attempt.

The parishes visited are those of Granville; Mt. Vernon, Columbus; Steubenville; East Liverpool; Springfield, Jefferson Co.; Cross

Creek; Zanesville; Utica; Newark; Marietta; that of the Welsh settlement in Gallia Co.; that of Portsmouth; the three parishes in Cincinnati; that of Circleville, Wooster, Medina, Liverpool, Columbia, Strongsville, Cleveland, Ohio City, Dover, Boston, Franklin, Cuyahoga Falls, Akron, Massillon, Norwalk, Huron, Gambier and Worthington.

Besides these I have visited and preached in Gallipolis, where a parish was expected to be organized, and in Hudson where a parish has since been organized. During the intervals of visitations, while remaining at home, I have preached every Sunday in the chapel at Gambier except when disabled by ill health; sustained a service and lecture on Thursday evening in the same place during several months, and carried on the instruction of Students of the Theological Seminary in the two departments of Ecclesiastial Polity and Systematic Divinity.

The number of candidates presented by their Pastors for the solemn ordinance of Confirmation, as being prepared to ratify their baptismal vows and be admitted, through that ordinance, to the full communion of the Church, has been in some parishes much larger than ever before: while the aggregate is seventy-six more than the number presented during the last year and one hundred and eighty-six more than that of the year before. The whole number confirmed since the last Convention is three hundred and eighty-one.

I proceed to mention as much of the details concerning the confirmations as would seem to be requisite for a view of the state of the Church in this Diocese.

Sept.	19,	1841,	St. Paul's Medina,	Confirmed	4
Jan.	2,	1842,	St. Luke's, Granville,	"	8
"	23,	"	St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	"	18
March	20,	"	Trinity, Columbus,	"	19
"	26,	"	St. Paul's, Steubenville,	"	16
"	28,	"	St. John's, Springfield, Jeff. Co.,	"	6
"	29,	"	St. James', Cross Creek,	"	14
April,	2,	"	" Zanesville,	"	12
"	10,	"	St. Paul's, Utica,	"	2
"	17,	"	Trinity, Newark,	"	14
"	21,	"	St. Luke's, Marietta.	"	6
"	24,	"	All Saints', Portsmouth,	"	16
"	30,	"	Christ Ch., Cincinnati,	"	18
May,	1,	"	St. Paul's, "	"	23
"	3,	"	Grace, "	"	11

May,	8,	1832	St. Philip's, Circleville,	Confirmed	52
"	17,	"	St. James', Wooster,	"	11
"	18,	"	St. Paul's, Medina,	"	2
"	19,	"	Christ Ch., Liverpool,	"	7
"	20,	"	St. Luke's, Columbia,	"	10
"	20,	"	St. Philip's, Strongsville,	"	4
"	22,	"	Trinity, Cleavland,	"	22
"	22,	"	St. John's, Ohio City,	"	5
"	24,	"	" Dover,	"	5
"	25,	"	Bethel, Boston,	"	4
"	27,	"	Christ Ch., Franklin,	"	8
"	29,	"	St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	"	16
"	29,	"	St. Paul's, Akron,	"	10
"	31,	"	St. Timothy's, Massillon,	"	9
June,	19,	"	Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	"	5
"	26,	"	St. Paul's, Norwalk,	"	15
"	27,	"	Christ Ch., Huron,	"	4
Aug.	28,	"	St. John's, Worthington,	"	6

I am thankful and happy to say that in general, the spiritual state of the parishes visited is more than usually encouraging. Some of the small and feeble ones have very hopefully grown in the number of persons attending on the ministry of the word and also of those who profess to have received the Gospel in its saving power. The clergy in charge of congregations seem desirous of scrupulously maintaining the distinctive features of the Church in her services and order: while the great matters of the Gospel, the regeneration of the sinner by the Holy Ghost, as essential to all spiritual life: justification by faith alone, through the accounting unto us of the perfect, mediatorial righteousness of Christ, as essential to all acceptance with God: these and their vitally connected truths and duties, are preached earnestly and habitually. The more plainly and faithfully and earnestly such matters are urged, with much prayer to God who giveth the increase, the more may it be expected that God *will* give increase to the precious seed of his word, increase of souls converted to God, following Christ and walking steadfastly in good works.

Among several parishes which have exhibited a good increase, during the last year, I must mention particularly that of St. Philip's, Circleville. This Church was, for some time, one of the nurslings of our Diocesan Missionary efforts. And well have all the appropriations made to it in time past, been recompensed, as well in its contributions, ever since it ceased to need missionary aid, to needy stations,

as in the blessings of the Spirit upon the means of grace among its people. God has granted a special and very large increase to the planting and watering of the seed of the word by the Rector of that Church, during the last year. In May last, I confirmed there *fifty-two* men, women, and children of proper age, all professing the hope that by the grace of God, they had been lead heartily to renounce the world and become followers of Christ. When the size of the congregation is considered, that number is very great. I mention it for the encouragement of our clergy in their labors, and as an incitement to their more earnest coveting in prayer of the best gifts of God to their people.

I cannot urge too much upon the clergy the great importance of a careful preparation of candidates for confirmation, and the improvement of the season when that ordinance is expected, by particular efforts to impress upon parents and sponsors their duties to the children of their charge: that is the time to communicate right views of the sacrament of infant baptism, and to call those who are under baptismal vows to a solemn consideration of the lives they have led, and the responsibility they are under as members of the church of Christ. Two branches of preparation for the laying on of hands in confirmation are to be insisted on. The one of the *heart*, consisting in a godly sorrow for sin and a hearty and exclusive trust in the righteousness of Christ for peace with God. These are great constituent elements of the christian character; making up the only preparation for the supper of the Lord on earth, and for the Marriage supper of the Lamb in heaven. The other is of the *mind*, consisting of so much knowledge of christian doctrine and duty as is necessary to enable any one to be intelligently a christian. My brethren well know how much I have urged the former, *the preparation of the heart* not only upon candidates for confirmation, but also upon their Pastors, to be insisted on by them in all their communications with their people. But I would place the latter also very prominently forward as of the very greatest consequence. How is the interest of a confirmation increased to the administrator, the pastor, the congregation: how is its value to the great interests of the church, enhanced, when in looking round upon a circle of candidates awaiting admission by imposition of hands to the full communion of the family of Christ, we can feel assured not only that they are seriously and heartily sealing their baptismal vows and entering on a personal profession of religion, but also that they are doing this with minds well instructed and established in Christian truth; that in the school of the Pastor, and under the auxiliary teaching

of the sponsor; they have been regularly trained and *educated* in religious knowledge so as to be furnished with armour against seducing errors of doctrine as well as corrupting temptations to viciousness of life. Much may be done towards this good end by the Pastor's diligent teaching when the time for confirmation is at hand, and the candidates are ascertained. Special instruction then on the christian's faith and hope and life,—on the duties and difficulties, trials and temptations of the disciple of Christ, and his means of surmounting his hindrances and of growing in grace, should by all means be given. But the only sure basis of success in the pastoral teaching of the young, is *faithful catechising of children*, from their earliest ability to receive the instruction of their minister, until confirmation has discharged them from the lower form of catechumens into the higher degree of communicants at the family table of the household of faith. I would most earnestly press upon the clergy this part of their duty. I need not say how prominently it is placed among the duties of the ministry by the standard of our church. In every parish, there is, by the theory of our parochial system a school of christian education. Its pupils are by right and duty the baptized children of the parish. Let the unbaptized be added as far as possible. The teacher of that school is the Pastor of the flock. Parents and Sponsors are bound to the Church to see that the children of the covenant of baptism do attend upon that Teacher in that his own peculiar school. They can be no more discharged from this duty than the Pastor from the duty of feeding the lambs of Christ's flock. The appointed mode of instruction in that school is *catechising*, whatever the extent of subject introduced:—Merely to lecture, to explain, to enforce is not enough, all must be on the basis of continual catechising—putting questions and drawing answers.—If the subject matter be the lowest elements of religious knowledge, or the highest exhibition of gospel truth which children may be capable of receiving, the appointed mode and the very best mode, by far, is that of catechising. And here I would say that in my view the Pastor is as much bound by the order of our church and by general considerations of duty, personally to instruct the children of his charge, at regular times by *catechism*, as to appear before their elders in the pulpit and teach them every sunday by sermons. His school of children in catechisms of divers grades can no more be committed to other instructors than his higher school of adults meeting together before his pulpit to be taught by preaching can be committed to other preachers. The pastor is the only natural and appropriate teacher of one, as of the other—and he is alike preaching the gospel

in both, in proportion as he does the work of an evangelist in distributing the milk of the word to the one class and the stronger food to the other. Sunday Schools are truly good as helps to the Pastor. When properly conducted, not as independent societies, extra-parochial, but as humble helps to the minister, subordinate entirely to his control, (and no minister ought to acknowledge a Sunday School in his parish which is not thus subordinate,) what are they but so many auxiliaries to the school of the Pastor, of which I have been speaking?—auxiliaries in which he is aided by men and women, precisely as he is expected to be aided more privately by parents and sponsors in the religious education of the children of his flock. But the Sunday School is in its place only as a help to, not as a substitute for the personal instruction of the Pastor. After it has done all it can do, there remains to be done the direct work of the Shepherd of the flock, examining, teaching, admonishing, exhorting, nurturing the lambs in christian knowledge and discipline, as none but the shepherd can do it, and thus securing not only that they are trained in the truth as it is in Jesus, but also in that truth as in its church associations, particularly as associated with the pastoral office of Christ's ministers: so that the lambs shall know and love the voice of him who is over them in the Lord. Let Sunday Schools have their classes: let every house where there are children have its little class of its own children growing up under parental teachers in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.—But let the Pastor, by all means, have his class also, gathered out of all the family circles to learn of him, first and last, no matter how extensive the instruction they may be receiving any where else.—In that school let children be taught as fully as they can receive, all such things as a christian ought to know and believe to his soul's health, While doing this faithfully let him feel that he is serving his master and preaching the gospel in a way as important to the rising generation as that of his more public preaching to their elders. Let him connect with this more frequent address to parents on their responsibility for the religious training of their children. Blessed must be the fruits of such labours—all the interests of the Church must rejoice in them. I know well, however, how many difficulties the minister has to meet, from the very peculiar and disorganized condition of society as regards religious duties, the loose notions prevailing of parochial and pastoral relations, the low views of the nature and need of christian education, the indifference so often seen, even among parents professing godliness, to the proper carrying out of the discipline of the

church towards their, and her baptized children. Such evils in our church, and out of it, but though out of it, exerting much indirect influence within, do certainly hinder very greatly the complete working of our parochial system as regards children, as well as adults. But this is no reason why we should leave that system and either substitute no other, or one accommodated to and calculated to encourage, instead of correcting, the evils which hinder the better. I beg to say again, with most serious emphasis, that no accumulation of other teaching can do that work of feeding the lambs of Christ's flock which the Church has put into the hands of, and required to be done, *in person*, by the Pastor of the flock. No nurse can supply the place of a mother, no friend, the place of a father, no teacher the place of the children's own minister.

While on this subject, I wish very particularly to recommend for general reading, among clergy and laity, a work on religious education which I fear is very little known as it deserves to be.

At the General Convention of 1838, a committee was appointed by joint resolution "to take into consideration, the subject of the Christian education of the youth of both sexes in accordance with the principles of the Church." A Report was accordingly made by that committee, to the House of Bishops at the last General Convention, and referred to a select Committee of that House, for examination. The result was a recommendation that it be published, and then by a concurrent vote of both Houses, it was referred to the Executive Committee of the Managers of the Sunday School Union, of the Church, to be printed and distributed. The document thus impressively sanctioned and issued, was prepared entirely by the careful and zealous diligence of the Rev. B. O. Peers, a brother whose mind and heart have been most earnestly occupied for many years with the subject of Christian education, in and by the Church as the mother of baptized children, and so put in trust with their nurture and admonition. I lament to say that such is the present state of the health of that beloved brother in the Lord, and faithful servant in Christ, that it would seem as if, in making the Report, he had prepared his last public testimony, and bequeathed his best legacy to a Church which needs so many more ministers of his enlarged mind and devoted zeal*. The Report was published in the Journal of Christian Education for Nov. and Dec. of 1841, and occupies 80 of its large pages. I take for granted

* The afflicting intelligence of the death of Mr. Peers, reached Bishop McIlvaine a few hours after the delivery of the above.

that it was also published in a separate pamphlet for distribution. I very much fear, however, that it has failed to get upon the tide that was needed to carry it into precisely the circulation it was designed for, and into which I think it very important that it should go. As a commentary upon the Church-parochial system of Christian education, as a declaration of great principles at the basis of all parental and pastoral duty in this matter, as furnishing a clear view of the relations of baptized children to the Church, and her teaching, and of parents and sponsors and pastors to them, not neglecting the duty of the Church, in all her members towards those children who have no connection with the household of faith, through baptism—for all these qualities, as well as others that might be specified, I beg to recommend with earnestness, this elaborate document to the clergy and every family in the diocese. Without pledging myself to every minor particular, I would it were in the hands of every parent, sponsor and minister. I doubt not it may easily be obtained at a low price, at the Depository of our Sunday School Union in New York.

While on the subject of christian education, I would speak in commendation of the Female Seminary at Granville, of which the minister of the parish there is the Rector and the Bishop of the Diocese is the Patron. I have reason to believe that, in point of common and religious education, and as a school to which our daughters may profitably be entrusted for the formation of good habits and the acquisition of sound learning befitting their sphere in life, it well deserves the confidence and patronage of the members of our church.

Since my last address to you, I have ordained to the order of Presbyters six Deacons, viz—the Rev. John Henshaw, Abraham Wheeler, Hugh Kelly, M. K. Cushman, (who were ordained at the end of the last Convention in St. Paul's, Chillicothe,) and the Rev. J. Jay Okill and John Sandels, the former at Gambier on the 29th of Dec., the latter in St. Luke's, Granville on the 16th of April.

I have also ordained to the order of Deacons five candidates for the same, viz, Joseph S. Large, Robert S. Elder, [who were ordained at the last Convention] Henry L. Richards, whose ordination was held in St. Luke's, Granville on the 16th of April, and William Fagg, with Moses H. Hunter, who were admitted Deacons, in St. Paul's, Mount Vernon, on the 14th of August.

The candidates for orders, in this Diocese, are now Charles E. Douglas, who has recently finished the undergraduate course, with honour, in Trinity College, Cambridge, England, and is now further

improving himself in the office of private tutor in that college, Albert T. McMurphy, a student of the Virginia Theological Seminary at Alexandria, Levi S. Holden, a student of the Theological Seminary of this diocese, S. L. Johnson, a Tutor in Kenyon College, George Becket, Albert C. Barnes and Green G. Moore residing in Cincinnati, making only seven in all.

These are all the candidates which the Church in Ohio, is now furnishing towards the future supply of her own parishes, the further extension of religion within this diocese and the great work of preaching the gospel to every creature.—How deeply is this to be deplored, and how should it lead us, my dear brethren, to consider with ourselves what can be the cause? How is it that from more than 70 parishes, and the labors of more than 60 ministers, only seven persons now appear to offer themselves a living sacrifice to Christ for the labours of his ministry? I spoke on this subject with lamentation and alarm at our last Convention. But then, there was one candidate more than we have now. If we look over our whole Church the state of things, in this respect, does not seem much more encouraging. At the General Convention which met last fall, all the candidates reported by the several dioceses was 155, being 33 less than those reported at the preceeding Convention in 1838, and 10 less than those reported to the Convention of 1835. From no diocese of the West and S. West were any candidates reported at the last General Convention except Kentucky, five; and Ohio, eight. On the supposition that there were candidates in some other western dioceses, let us allow an addition of seven on that account, which I am sure is a large allowance. We will then have only twenty candidates in the ten dioceses west of the Alleghanies. These dioceses cover much the larger part of the settled territory of the United States, they contain a population of between six and seven millions; they will soon contain one half of the whole population of the Union. For these twenty candidates how many institutions for theological instruction? There is this in Ohio, another in Kentucky, a third in Missouri, a fourth is to complete the plan of Jubilee College, Illinois. When will they all have work? Whatever may be thought of the need of so many institutions for the candidates now furnished, or that may be expected to be furnished in the west for twenty years, one thing is manifest, that, for students in our theological seminary, the reliance must be almost wholly on the parishes of our own diocese, and that, seeing our candidates are now only seven in number, we must not look for the evidence of the effi-

ciency of our institutions in the number of its students. A Theological Seminary cannot make candidates for the ministry. If the ministers of the Word are not successful, under God, in turning the hearts of young men towards the great work of preaching the Gospel, all the seminaries of the land, multiplied again and again, could not mend the deficiency. Three things are needed for the purpose.

First, the more earnest and prayerful address of the word to the heart and consciences of youth, from the children in the catechism, to the grown up sons of the church. If more young men were converted to God, more would be desirous of serving Him in his holy ministry. If among those who profess to have turned to the Lord there were a higher style of religion, more power of godliness, more love to God, more of the mind of Christ, in a word more of *the reality* of religion, there would be more young men aspiring to be candidates for the labours, the poverty, the noble duties and glorious recompense of a faithful ministry. I entreat my brethren of the clergy to consider solemnly how much of the responsibility for the promotion of this increase of converted youth, and this growth in grace, among such as are converted, devolves on them.

Secondly. Christian parents must better understand, and perform their duty to the Church and to God. Let them co-operate with the Pastor's work more faithfully, let them more habitually regard their baptized children as having been solemnly consecrated to God, let them shape the whole effort for their training with reference to the solemn duties to their children, arising out of such consecration, let them look with a far less worldly spirit upon the honors and gains, and indulgences of such professions as the world offers to their sons, let them, in the true spirit of Christian parents, seek for them *first*, and as infinitely more precious than all things, "the kingdom of God and His righteousness," and then covet for them no honors of office, no dignity of service, no riches or reward as comparable with the honors and dignity and wealth and happiness of the man whom God calls and qualifies and commissions to preach the Gospel to a lost world. Let this be the carrying out, by parents, of what as Christians they are bound to by the love of God and of their offspring—let it all be joined with the continual prayer out of unfeigned lips that God would use their children as best suits the welfare of His Church, and *in them*, or in others, would send forth labourers into his harvest. and the blessed result would assuredly be, that out of the number of our baptized children would come forth a goodly array of humble as-

pirants for the honors of the cross, saying each in his heart—‘*here am I,*’ ready to go thine errands, oh Lord, to a lost world, ‘*send me.*’

I must briefly mention a *third* requisite for the better supply of candidates for the ministry,—a more abundant provision for the expenses necessarily incurred by young men in preparing for the ministry.—Many a strong desire for the work, which ought to be encouraged, is put down, and kept down for want of the means of education. If the Church will have ministers, she should pay for them—pay for preparing them to labour, when they cannot otherwise be prepared, as well as for enabling them to labor after they have been prepared. When God puts it into the heart of a young man to consecrate himself to his ministry instead of going after the gains of the world, if he cannot sustain his expenses while learning his Master’s work, it is clearly and solemnly the duty of the Church to see that the Lord’s will be not hindered by lack of means to get food and raiment. Christians are bound to have all things common, in a literal sense, so far as is necessary to meet any such emergency. It is infinitely cheaper to furnish the pittance required of each for the education of those whom God moves to desire the office of a minister, than to have our churches destitute, the missionary fields all around lying neglected, golden harvests unreaped and going to waste, millions on millions of immortal souls perishing in ignorance of the Gospel, and the whole Church suffering the chastening of God for setting gain against godliness, and preferring to save expense of money instead of saving immortal souls.

This leads me to speak of the Missionary and Education cause of this diocese. These two departments of benevolent effort, so inseparably united, are entrusted, you know, to a Committee, annually elected by the Convention. It is the duty of that Committee to report to you its receipts and disbursements, its Missions and Beneficiaries. I will not anticipate the showing of the report which you will receive, except so far as to request that, when received, you will consider very seriously the great want of something to bring up the parishes to a more conscientious and regular fulfilling of the Christian duty of giving freely and cheerfully to the support of missions and the education of young men for the ministry. Our Convocation system needs reviewing.—It has not worked efficiently during the last year. Whether the fault be in the system, or in those who work it, I will not say—something that we have not is needed; whether it be a better machinery, or a better zeal, or both, to impress our people with a right sense of their duty as the Lord’s stewards, put in charge of His goods,

for His glory—in the furtherance of the gospel—I beg to ask my brethren, of the clergy, if they preach as much as they ought, as earnestly, as plainly, as fearlessly as they ought, against the awful idolatry that so enslaves our land and so defiles our churches with the abomination that worketh desolate—I mean *covetousness*? This it is, not poverty, not the times, that so cripples the Church in all enterprises for the kingdom of God; we cannot serve God and Mammon. Do our ministers preach with requisite plainness and frequency upon the great christian duty of giving freely, cheerfully, as the Lord hath blessed us, for the promotion of the gospel—endeavoring to train their people to right principles in the use of their worldly substance; to a right estimate of their responsibility in this behalf, and to a regular, systematic habit of appropriating, by conscientious rule, a certain portion of their income, as sacredly to the cause of the gospel, as they reserve the rest for more secular uses. Is this duty of thus consecrating our substance to the Lord's service, sufficiently urged, as making an essential part of our practical religion, just as much as the love of God and man? Is there not too much shrinking from the requisite plainness and earnestness on this subject, because it is known to be of almost all subjects the least agreeable to our congregations, and the most likely to give offence to certain persons whose influence it might not be well to lose? Brethren, we must be faithful on this head, if we would deliver the whole counsel of God. No fear of man, no danger of forfeiting the favour of the rich, no opposition of covetous or penurious professors of religion, no unwillingness to shake the self-complacent hopes of such communicants as seem willing to surrender any thing in exchange for their souls, but their money; no consideration must prevent us from using all wise and faithful means to bring up our churches to a right sense of their duty as regards this great work; the work for the finishing of which the church is yet militant, and the earth is kept out of the flood of fire unto which it is reserved—the universal triumph of the Gospel—the fulfilling of the Church's incessant prayer, night and day, century after century, "*thy kingdom come.*" Be well assured, that true religion cannot be in any heart, whatever may be its semblance, where that heart has not been loosed from the bolts and bars imposed by the love of money and set open to the claims of the love of Christ and the miseries of a fallen world, so that it feels a freedom to consider what the Lord would have it to do for His cause, and is "*ready to distribute, willing to communicate.*"

Christ came to deliver the prisoner out of his prison and to set the captive free. And when we see men who profess the truth and are sealed with the sacraments of the gospel, evincing by their conscientious use of their worldly substance for the glory of God, that such deliverance has been effected upon them, then, if other evidences be favorable, we may believe that among that people the gospel has been received not "in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Ghost, and in much assurance." Ministers are enjoined of God to "charge them that be rich in this world, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate." No man can make full proof of his ministry and do the work of an evangelist, keeping back no part of the message of his Master, who does not deliver this charge. Not that the rich only are answerable for this duty—but that they especially have need to be charged to do it, because their talents are the *ten*, and therefore, the lack of service by their unfaithfulness will be so much the greater, and their condemnation so much the heavier; because moreover their temptations to the idolatry of mammon are the stronger, and it so often happens that they who have the most to distribute, distribute the least in proportion to what they have; the richest in goods being often the most beggarly in spirit and the poorest in good works.

I proceed to connect with these remarks a brief statement of the appeal recently made to this and all the dioceses of our General Missionary Society. At the late meeting of the Board of Missions in New-York, it appeared that the annual expenditure in the Domestic department was 32,000 dollars; that the liabilities of the Committee were then \$5053 64, and that to meet this indebtedness there was then in hand only \$478, while the Committee were liable to be called on at any moment for the whole amount, and "the Missionaries must therefore suffer greatly, if there is not early and efficient action taken to supply the domestic treasury." From the Report of the Board of Missions I copy the following remarks;—"The diminution of the receipts amount to \$2,596 08 from the year preceding, although there is included in the income of the year just expired, a legacy of \$5000. Connected with this deficiency should be noticed the small proportion of contributing churches in our dioceses, Out of 1200 parishes, only 390 have sent aid to our Domestic Treasury during the past year, being 7 less than in the year preceding. The remedy therefore for the embarrassed state of our finances, would seem to consist chiefly in procuring a more general engagedness in the work, and en-

listing in its behalf the parishes which have hitherto evinced no interest in its measures. While it is doubtless true that the greater part of them are feeble, and many are themselves missionary stations, it is also true that a small donation from each of these 800 parishes would make a considerable addition to our funds, and the effort could not fail to be highly beneficial to themselves. Your Committee think that the Churches receiving the aid of the Board should thus evince their interest in its work, and that none should be deterred from forwarding some token of remembrance of its wants, on account of the smallness of the sum which it may be in their power to send. They would therefore suggest to the Board the propriety of earnestly recommending to the Bishops of the several dioceses, the adoption of such measures as they may think best fitted to secure this general co-operation."

The Board, under the influence of these views, and perceiving moreover the necessity of a more competent support to the Missionaries, have earnestly requested the several bishops to bring the necessities of the Missionary Society and the great cause of Missions, before the clergy and parishes of their respective dioceses. Much indeed would it seem to be needed in this diocese. I grieve to tell you, brethren, that only sixteen out of our upwards of sixty parishes, are reported as having contributed any thing to the General Missionary Society, and that the sums credited to Ohio in the late annual report, amount only to \$90 36 for Foreign Missions, and \$286 28 for Domestic; being \$323 36 short of what that Society expended for domestic missions in Ohio, during the year ending in July. I must earnestly entreat the clergy and laity to take this statement into serious consideration, and ask what is duty—and go about to do what, on prayerful examination of their stewardship, they shall ascertain that the Lord requires of them.

I have consecrated two Churches since the last Convention, viz: that of St. James', Cross-Creek, and St. James', Wooster—the former is a neat brick edifice erected in place of a wooden building, which was the first Episcopal Church erected in Ohio. The old edifice has been converted into a comfortable parsonage.

In reference to the consecration of churches, I wish to say two things to be had in remembrance—*First*, that I have seen so much evil arise out of debts incurred in the building of churches, and which remain to injure the character of the congregations and prevent their growth and endanger the tenure of the property, that I have formed the determination to refuse to consecrate a church which is not so far

unincumbered by debt, as, in view of ordinary events, to be considered secure to the congregation and the diocese.

The other thing I wish to say in the present connection, is this—It has appeared that, without knowing the state of the case, I have in one or two instances consecrated churches, the pews of which had been, in whole, or in part, sold so entirely as that no right was reserved in the hands of the vestry to lay on them the least tax or rent for the support of the minister, or for any contingent expense. I need not point out the manifest and suicidal evils of such a disposal of Church property. I only wish to give notice that wherever any portion of the pews shall be thus alienated, I cannot consecrate the Church, and that such alienation taking place subsequent to consecration, must be considered as a violation of the terms on which the consecration was consented to.

On the 20th of May I laid the corner-stone of St. Philip's Church, Strongsville.

I have accepted *Letters of Dismission* as follows, in behalf of the Rev. L. N. Freeman from the Bishop of Pennsylvania; in behalf of the Rev. G. S. Davis from the late Bishop of Virginia; in behalf of the Rev. George Denison, from the Bishop of Western New-York; in behalf of the Rev. William M. Burton from the Bishop of Pennsylvania; in behalf of the Rev. Absalom Phelps, from the Bishop of Virginia; in behalf of the Rev. James B. Britton from the Missionary Bishop of Indiana; in behalf of the Rev. A. F. Dobb from the Bishop of Kentucky; in behalf of the Rev. Edward Lounsbery from the Bishop of Virginia.

I have granted *letters of dismission* as follows—to the Rev. Thomas J. Davis to the diocese of Pennsylvania; to the Rev. Thomas Barrow to the diocese of Maryland, to the Rev. Orren Miller to the diocese of Pennsylvania; to the Rev. William F. Halsey to the diocese of Vermont; to the Rev. James Bonnar to the diocese of Pennsylvania; to the Rev. Charles Fox to the diocese of Michigan, and to the Rev. B. H. Hickox to the diocese of Kentucky.

The Rev. L. N. Freeman has taken charge of St. Paul's, Akron; the Rev. G. S. Davis, of Christ Church, Franklin; the Rev. George Denison, of Trinity Church, Newark; the Rev. Absalom Phelps has become assistant minister of Bethel Church, Boston; the Rev. James B. Britton has taken charge of St. Paul's, Chillicothe; the Rev. A. F. Dobb, of Trinity Church, Columbus; the Rev. Joseph S. Large, ordained deacon at the last Convention, of St. Paul's, Maumee City; the Rev. Robert S. Elder, ordained at the same time, of

St. John's, Worthington; the Rev. Richard S. Killin, ordained a short time before, of St. James', Piqua; the Rev. James J. Okill, of St. Paul's, Norwalk; the Rev. M. K. Cushman has resigned the charge of Zion Church, Dresden; the *Rev. David W. Tolford has resigned the charge of St. John's, Ohio City, and been succeeded by the Rev. Alvah Guion, who after a few months of faithful service, has been compelled by ill-health to resign; the Rev. Hugh Kelly has resigned the charge of St. Andrew's, Elyria, and St. John's, Dover, and taken that of St. Philip's, Strongsville. and St. Luke's, Columbia; the Rev. Henry Payne has resigned the charge of St. Matthew's, Hamilton.

Four new Parishes have been reported to me as duly organized, viz—that of St. Mark's, Newton Falls, Trumbull county; that of Christ Church, Hudson, Portage county; that of Heartsgrove, Ash-tabula county, and that of St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky.

Before concluding this address it is proper to state that at the late General Convention a resolution was passed to add to the Constitution of the Church an article providing for the consecration of Bishops for foreign countries—also another to make a slight alteration in that portion of the Prayer Book which provides for the institution of ministers. These resolutions are required to be made known to the several diocesan conventions before they can be finally ratified. They are now therefore laid on the Secretary's table to be read at the pleasure of this convention and entered, in full, upon the Journal.

And now, my dear Brethren, in concluding this address, allow me to exhort you to give a patient, diligent attention to such duties as may occur during the session of this Convention. Let the seriousness and solemnness which belong to all interests connected with those of the gospel of Christ, invariably characterize your proceedings. Cultivate brotherly love. Endeavor to make your meeting together an opportunity of increasing one another's zeal for the Lord and His kingdom. Try to do good in the houses where you sojourn, I pray the Lord to preside in our counsels, and to sanctify all our desires and affections, so that all things being ordered by His governance, may be righteous in His sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

Gambier, Sept. 8, 1842.

* Mr. Tolford has since taken the Rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

After the delivery of the preceding address, the Bishop announced the resignation of Judge Este, Mr. Viers, Mr. Wells, Rev. Mr. Johns and Rev. Mr. Peet, as Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio.

Whereupon, the Convention resolved to go into the election of two clerical and three lay trustees to supply the vacancies occasioned by the above resignations, and the Rev. Messrs. Allen and Gassaway, and Judge Prince, were appointed a committee of nomination.

The Committee on Rules of Order reported the Rules of Order of the last Convention, with the amendments and additions offered by Rev. Mr. Muenschner, without amendment, and recommended their adoption.

The Rules of Order as amended were then read, and severally adopted as follows:—

RULES OF ORDER.

- I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
- II. When the President takes the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.
- III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.
- IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
- V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the Chair, the Secretary of the Preceding Convention, if present—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of those parishes entitled to representation: and the lay delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.
- VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint
 1. *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership, and certificates of lay-delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention.
 2. *A Committee on unfinished business*, to consist of one Clergyman and one Layman. After the Committee of Examination has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:
 1. *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one Clergyman and two Laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurers report, and assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee.
 2. *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; to whom shall be referred the Report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects.
 3. *A Committee on Canons*: to consist of two Clergymen and one layman,* to whom new canons and all alterations or amendments of existing canons shall be referred.

* This rule was subsequently amended so as to read two laymen.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall on a division be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All Committees shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

Mr. Cumming offered the following preamble and resolution, which on motion, were adopted:—

Whereas for wise reasons the Bishop has directed a special session of the Convention of the Diocese, to be held at the present time and whereas in consequence of said special session the reasons for holding a convention on the 3rd Wednesday in October, as ordered by the convention of last year are superseded. Therefore,

Resolved, That the regular legislative business of the Diocese be now taken up and referred to the usual and appropriate committees and that the present session be instituted for and considered as the regular annual convention of the Diocese.

The Committee appointed to nominate five Trustees to fill the vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, reported the following names, viz: Rev. S. A. Bronson, Rev. George Denison, Caleb Howard, E. H. Cumming and W. K. Bond.

The Convention, on motion, proceeded to vote on this nomination, and Rev. Messrs. Sanford and Badger were appointed Tellers.

The Committee on the application of New Parishes made the following report.

“The Committee on the Application of New Parishes for admission into union with the Convention, report, That Christ Church, Hudson, St. Mark's Ch. Newton Falls, St. Paul's Ch. Hartsgrove, and St. Paul's Ch. Lower Sandusky, have complied with the canon-

cal requirements, and they recommend their admission into union with this Convention.

S. A. BRONSON, *Chairman*.

On motion, the above report was adopted, and the parishes therein named were accordingly admitted into union with this Convention.

In accordance with the Rules of Order, the Bishop appointed the following Standing Committees.

COMMITTEE OF FINANCE.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing, C. Delano, and C. Howard.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Rev. G. Denison, Rev. R. S. Killin, and D. B. Douglas.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

Rev. W. A. Smallwood, Rev. J. Muenscher, and William J. Reese.

The Tellers appointed to count the votes for Trustees of the Theological Seminary, announced that the gentlemen whose names had been reported by the nominating committee, had received a majority of votes and were duly elected.

The Rev. Mr. Denison asked to be excused from serving on the Committee on Missions; his request was on motion granted, and Rev. Mr. Marks was appointed in his place.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr,

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to take into consideration that part of the Bishop's address which relates to the general missions of the Church.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Muenscher,

Resolved, That the Canons of the Church in this Diocese be referred to the Committee on Canons for revision, with a view to their publication in the Journal, and that they report to this Convention.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Denison,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's address as relates in any way to the Diocesan Missions of Ohio, be referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

The Bishop appointed the following persons the Committee on General Missions, viz: Rev. Mr. Varian, Rev. Mr. Eaton, Rev. Mr. Bury, and Messrs. Gwyne and Young.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr,

Resolved, That the following resolution offered to the last Convention by Henry Brush, Esq., and adopted and entered on the Journal, page 54, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

“Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider the expediency of providing one or more Canons for lay discipline, and if deemed expedient, to report to the next Convention.”

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Friday morning, Sept. 9th, 9 o'clock A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment. In consequence of the temporary absence of the Secretary, the Rev. Mr. Denison was appointed Secretary, pro tem.

The Clerical Reports were called for, and submitted to the President. On motion, the reading of the Clerical Reports was entered upon.

The Secretary having arrived, the reading of the Clerical Reports was on motion suspended.

The following gentlemen, lay delegates, were reported by the Committee on the Credentials of Lay Delegates as entitled to seats in this Convention, and on being called, they answered to their names, and took their seats.

*Harcourt Parish, Gambier,
Christ Church, Hudson,*

St. Mark's, Newton Falls,

*St. Luke's, Granville,
Christ Church, Cincinnati,
St. Paul's, Akron,*

Grace Church, Sandusky City,

*H. L. Thrall.
Henry O'Brien,
Frederick Brown.*

*A. T. Benedict,
H. A. Dubois.
A. P. Prichard.
W. K. Bond.
John Raymond.
T. W. Barker,
Abner Root.*

The minutes of the preceeding day were read and approved. The Committee on unfinished business reported that they had discovered nothing on the Journal of the last Convention remaining unfinished, which had not been already referred to a Committee of this Convention.

On motion, the reading of the parochial reports was resumed. After progress had been made therein, a motion was made and carried to suspend the reading of the reports.

On motion of E. H. Cumming Esq.,

Resolved, That a Committee of three laymen be appointed, charged with the duty of taking into consideration the state of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and that they report thereon to this Convention.

Messrs. W. K. Bond, W. J. Reese and J. L. Reynolds, were appointed said Committee.

On motion of E. H. Cumming, Esq.

Resolved, That the Committee of Finance be instructed to take into immediate consideration and report to this Convention, the state of the Diocesan Fund for the past year.

The hour for divine service having arrived, the Convention adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock P. M.

Friday 3 o'clock, P. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The Rev. Anson Clark and Rev. Alanson Phelps appeared and took their seats.

On motion, the reading of the Parochial Reports was resumed, and after further progress had been made therein, it was again ordered to be suspended.

The Rev. Mr. Sandels, presented and read the following Report of the Missionary and Education Committee.

SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

During the year which has just expired, your committee have afforded pecuniary aid to nine Missionaries and four Beneficiaries.

The Missionaries thus aided are the Rev. Mr. Gray at Cross Creek, St. Clairsville, and Deersville, Rev. Mr. Townsend at Warren and Newton Falls, which has lately been adopted as a missionary station, Rev. Mr. Wheeler at Springfield, Rev. Mr. Cushman at Dresden and Madison, Rev. Mr. Freeman at Akron, Rev. Mr. Davis at Franklin, and Rev. Mr. Elder at Worthington.

Of the Beneficiaries who have received aid two are or have been members of the Theological Seminary, and two students of Kenyon College.

The whole amount of funds received this year is \$951,46: the amount appropriated \$1000.

After paying the balance due on the appropriations of last year, there will be owing of the appropriations made this year, upwards of \$200 over and above the amount in the Treasurer's hands.

The Convention cannot but perceive that the statement of facts above given is a very imperfect report of the operations of the Committee during the year; but we trust that the members of the several convocations will remember that they have furnished us with no reports of their movements. In consequence of this failure on the part of the convocations, we are unable to state to the convention what amount of Missionary labour has been done in the Diocese by ministers devoting two Sundays in the year to the performance of divine service in destitute places, and what amount of funds has been collected in each district by means of the convocations, and what by the exertions of individual ministers and parishes.

But even to the few facts stated, your committee deem it their duty respectfully to call the attention of the Convention. In the year 1840--41 the sum paid into the hands of the treasurer, was upwards of \$1600, whereas the whole amount received this year is but \$951,46: and if you deduct from this \$55, the donation of a gentleman in New York, and \$61,70, the subscription on the Cutler Scholarship, from Boston, Massachusetts, the amount collected in the diocese during the year will be \$840,76, very little more than one half the collections of the previous year.

While your Committee are fully sensible that to the pecuniary embarrassments of the country in general, is to be attributed much of the deficit in the collections of this year, they at the same time fear that a part of it is to be attributed to other causes.

The system of convocations adopted by the Convention of 1840, proved during the first year of its operations that it was a good one, and by the amount of subscriptions raised that year, gave promises of lasting benefit to the Church.

But during the past year, it is to be feared, that the convocations have been regarded by many as the only means for raising Missionary and Education funds, and thus to have superseded the necessity of parochial organizations, and the individual exertions of the parish clergy. Thus, too much has been left for them to perform, more than was contemplated in their establishment, and more than could reasonably be expected from them.

So far as regards the collection of funds, your committee have understood the object of the organization of convocations to be, not to abolish existing organizations, but to make them more efficient, not to supersede the exertions of the clergy individually in their parishes, but to aid them by the concentration of effort, in producing more of a missionary spirit among our people, and thus successfully contributing to the effective operation of the Missionary and Education Committee. And while your committee believe that these objects have been to a considerable extent attained by the present organization, they fear that in many instances it has had the tendency of inducing some of the ministers and parishes to relax in their parochial efforts, very naturally resigning into the hands of the convocation the whole or nearly the whole duty of collecting funds for the Missionary and Education Committee.

There is one other suggestion to which your committee would call your attention. From the resolution passed at the convention of 1840, it appears that while the convocations transmitting their funds to the treasurer of this committee had it in their power to designate the objects to which they should be applied, it was at the same time made the duty of each to establish in the diocesan Institution at least one scholarship for the education of pious young men for the ministry. Now during the year which has just expired, appropriations have been applied for and made to at least two districts, in which the sums required for missionary labour alone far exceeded the amount collected within these districts. Not that the demands were too large, but the contributions were too small.

Your committee, in view of these facts, cannot refrain from expressing their anxious desire that some measures may be adopted by this convention, to enable them to discharge the important trust committed to them much more effectively. Our Zion is languishing on every side. The school of the prophets is likely to be deserted.— It would appear as if the present generation of ministers, when they leave their beloved flocks and are called to their reward, were likely to leave them either totally destitute of the word of life, or to pastors not after their own hearts. It is with you to say whether this

diocese shall hereafter be adequately supplied with ministers trained in those principles which are so dear to you, or, be but partially supplied with those of whose principles you disapprove, and who when your poor people cry to them for bread will give them a stone.

The preceding Report was on motion referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

President Douglass having declined to serve on the Standing Committee on Missions, H. L. Noble, Esq., was appointed in his place.

The Rev. Mr. Varian, from the committee on General Missions made the following report.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the support of the general missionary operations of the Church, beg leave to report the following resolutions—

1. Resolved, That the clergy of this diocese be requested to lay the claims of the General Missionary Society of the Church before their respective parishes, as often as once in every year, when they shall inculcate on the members of the Church the duty of contributing to the funds of the Society, according to their several ability.

2. Resolved, That it be recommended to the several members of the Church in this diocese to adopt the plan of systematic charity recommended by St. Paul, to lay by in store on the first day of the week, as God hath prospered them, for this, and other benevolent objects.

A. VARIAN, *Chairman.*

The resolutions contained in the above report, after discussion had thereon, and the offering and withdrawal of sundry amendments, were on motion severally adopted without alteration.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Mr. Allen which, after discussion had thereon, was on motion adopted.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the clergy and parishes of this diocese, that united prayer be offered at stated monthly meetings for the extension and success of missions.

Leave of absence from the remaining sittings of the Convention was granted to the Rev. Mr. Freeman.

Leave of absence was granted to the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary from a part of the sitting of the Convention to-morrow morning.

Leave of absence from the remaining sittings of the Convention was granted to David Gwyne, Esq., and Rev. Mr. Mayo.

Caleb Howard, Esq., offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That when this convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet on ——— in St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

Major D. B. Douglass offered the following resolution as a substitute for that of Mr. Howard:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider and report upon the expediency of fixing the time and place of the meetings of the Convention of the Diocese, in reference to a day of holding the annual commencement of Kenyon College, so that the Sessions of the former may commence at this place, on the day following the latter statedly,

Mr. Young moved an adjournment of the Convention till to-morrow morning. This motion was by request withdrawn to give opportunity to Mr. Reynolds to offer the following amendment to Mr. Howard's resolution:

Strike out all after the word Resolve and insert, that the next annual meeting of this convention be held in St. Timothy's Church, Massillon, on the ——— Thursday of ——— 1843, and that a committee of ——— persons be appointed by the Bishop with instructions to report to the Convention upon the expediency of fixing the time and place of the annual meeting of the Convention thereafter in reference to the day of holding the annual Commencement of Kenyon College, so that the sessions of the former may commence at Gambier on the day following the latter.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Bronson, the above resolutions relative to the place of the meeting of the Convention, were laid on the table, until to-morrow.

The Convention then, on motion adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. The minutes of the preceding day were read, amended and approved.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved, That the rules of order be amended so far as respects the Committee on Canons, by adding another lay member, in order to make it accord with the 14th Canon of the Church in this Diocese.

In accordance with the above resolution, Dr. Dubois was added to the committee on Canons.

The resolutions relative to the place of meeting of the Convention which were laid on the table yesterday, were on motion of Rev. Mr. Bronson, taken up.

Mr. D. B. Douglass moved to amend Mr. Reynolds' resolution by striking out the words "St. Timothy's Church, Massillon," and inserting the words, "Harcourt Parish, Gambier."— This motion, after debate had thereon, was carried.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Gassaway,

Resolved, That the question on Mr. Reynolds' resolution be divided so that the sense of the Convention may be taken first on the *time* and then on the *place* for the meeting of the next Convention.

President Douglass then moved that the blank in Mr. Reynolds' resolution be filled by the words "the first Thursday in August."

Mr. Young moved that the whole subject be referred to a committee of five to report thereon as speedily as possible, which motion was carried. The following persons were appointed said committee: Messrs. Young, D. B. Douglass, Reese, and Rev. Messrs. Denison and Gassaway.

On motion,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to nominate a standing committee to act during the sittings of this Convention, and until the usual standing committee shall be elected.

The Rev. Messrs. Sturges and Eaton and Dr. Brayton were appointed said committee.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved, That one Committee be appointed to nominate the Missionary and Education Committee, the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and the Delegates to the General Convention.

The Rev. Messrs. Burr and Clark, and Col. Root were appointed said committee.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood, chairman of the Committee on Canons, made the following report.

The Committee on the Canons beg leave to report the following amendments and additions to the Canons:—

CANON I.

SEC. 1. Before the words "standing committee" in the 4th line, insert "clerical members of the."

Immediately at the end of this section, and so as to form a part of the same, insert the following: "And every clergyman of this diocese may for himself request of the members of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

SEC. 2. (new sec.) If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision made by the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

SEC. 3. Add to the end of the section as follows: "and a bona fide member thereof."

Sec. 5. Immediately preceding the last paragraph, insert the following,

Meetings of the vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden, and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

CANON XIV.

Substitute the following as the 14th Canon:

FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

Sec. 1. Every minister shall on or about the fifteenth of April of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant, whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. On or about the fifteenth of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every house-holder or pew-holder, who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 3. Out of the sums so received, the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum. The sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XV.

FOR LAY DISCIPLINE.

Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the Rector, may be suspended from the communion.

CANON XVI.

ON CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention, shall be applied to the following objects. 1. To defray the travelling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the state by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the journals of the Convention and such other documents as may be ordered by Convention. 5. To defray the travelling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding \$---- to each delegate. 6. To pay the travelling expenses of presbyters attending Ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVII.

ON ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO.

[A change in the number merely.]

CANON XVIII.

REPEALING OF FORMER CANONS.

All former canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.
Respectfully submitted.

W. A. SMALLWOOD.
J. MUENSCHER.
W. J. REESE.
H. A. DUBOIS.

On motion, the Convention resolved to take up the Report of the Committee on Canons, and consider it in detail.

The question being taken on adopting the proposed amendment to Canon I. Sec. 1., it was decided in the negative.

The Treasurer of Convention laid his Reports on the Episcopate Fund and on the Contingent Fund, upon the Secretary's table, which, on motion, were referred; the first to the Special Committee on the Episcopate Fund, and the second to the Committee of Finance.

The Bishop announced to the Convention that Caleb Howard, Esq. had tendered his resignation as a Trustee of the Theological Seminary. Whereupon, the resignation of Mr. Howard was on motion accepted.

The Convention then resolved, on motion, to suspend action upon the Canons, in order to go into the election of a Trustee to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. Howard. Messrs. Delano and Pritchard were nominated, and Rev. Messrs. Clark and Killin were appointed tellers. On counting the ballots, Mr. Pritchard was declared to be duly elected.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at half past 2 o'clock, P. M.

2½ o'clock, P. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. Hon. W. K. Bond, Chairman of the Committee on the Episcopate fund, made the following report, which was on motion adopted.

The Committee appointed to ascertain and report upon the condition of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate, respectfully represent,

That at the commencement of the last fiscal year. Sept. 1841, there remained unpaid of the Bishop's salary, the sum of \$424 51
To this is to be added the salary of the past year (after deducting \$500 voluntarily relinquished by the Bishop) 1500 00

Making the aggregate for the year 1841-2,	\$1924	51
Of this sum there has been received up to the present meeting of the Convention, per statement of the Treasurer,	\$778	69
Since meeting of Convention,	568	20
		1346 89

Leaving a deficit existing at the present time, of - \$577 62

The Committee regret exceedingly that this important subject has not been more generally appreciated throughout the diocese.

While some of our parishes have faithfully discharged their duty, there are others that have not contributed a single dollar to this fund during the past year.

While it is conceded that *many* of the delinquent parishes are feeble in pecuniary resources, they are *all* doubtless *able* to do *something*—and your Committee believe that if this subject could be presented to them in all its bearings, they would also manifest a *willingness* to contribute *according to their ability*. We cannot but express the opinion that had the requisition of the 21st Canon, adopted at the last Convention, been *fully* complied with on the part of the clergy, the present large deficiency would not exist, and we are unable to recommend any better *method* of raising the Bishop's salary for the ensuing year, than that provided by the canon above referred to.—Although it is respectfully suggested that much advantage might accrue by *apportionment* of the sum required among the different parishes, that each may know the specific amount exacted of them.

Upon examination of the Treasurer's report, we find that the parishes have paid very *unequally* considering their ability, and we know of no better method of providing for the existing deficit, than that of levying an assessment upon such parishes as have either failed to pay *entirely*, or have paid *less* than is conceived to be their just proportion.

In connection with this subject we beg leave to read the following paragraph, from the Treasurer's report:—

"It will be seen by reference to the Canon for the support of the Episcopate, that the salary was expected to be paid semi-annually. At the close of the last year there was due to the Bishop a balance of \$424 51, which was not *wholly* paid within the next succeeding half year; so that the *first dollar* was not received on the current year until *after* that period, and only \$352 18 was received up to the time of the meeting of this convention. Thus *very far* falling short of the requisition of the canon."

In conclusion the Committee respectfully recommend for adoption the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That the clergy be required hereafter to set forth in their parochial reports, the specific amount collected in their respective parishes for the support of the Episcopate, and at what time paid.

Resolved, That it is the paramount duty of this Convention to adopt immediate and adequate measures to discharge the debt now due to the Bishop of the Diocese, and also to provide for the effectual and prompt payment of his salary for the future.

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to apportion among the several Parishes of this Diocese the amount required for the Bishop's salary the ensuing year, and also to make an immediate assessment to cover the existing deficiency, as recommended in this report.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. K. BOND,
W. J. REESE,
J. L. REYNOLDS.

The Rev. Messrs. Clark, Sanford, and Varian, and Messrs. Reynolds and Bowes, were appointed a committee to carry into effect the provision of the last of the foregoing resolutions.

The Rev. Mr. Badger offered the following preamble and resolution, which, on motion, were adopted.

Whereas, The institution in this place is the property of the Church and is entrusted to the care of Episcopalians in Ohio, and whereas it is highly important that every one thus entrusted should be accurately acquainted with the value of the domain and property in Gambier, in order to understand the full amount of their responsibility.

Resolved, That the present Board of Trustees be requested to cause a report to be made out, and appended to the Journal of this convention, containing a detailed statement of all the property belonging to the Institution, both real and personal; and also an exhibit of all its debts and liabilities.

The Committee appointed to nominate a Standing Committee of the Diocese, to act during the present Convention and until the usual Standing Committee shall be appointed, reported the following names: Rev. Messrs. Smallwood, Bury and Sandels, and Messrs Wolcott, D. B. Douglass and Dubois. The nomination of the Committee, was, on motion, confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Cumming,

Resolved, That the interests of the Diocese of Ohio demand a more thorough knowledge of its past legislation as contained in the Journals of its Conventions since its organization.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed charged with the duty of taking into consideration the practicability of republishing the Journals of the several Conventions of the Diocese of Ohio, from its organization up to the year 1841, inclusive.

Rev. Messrs. Muenscher and Wing were appointed said committee.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Hall.

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese be, and is hereby, respectfully requested by this Convention, to set forth a form of Prayer suitable for the use of the monthly Missionary meetings embraced in the resolution of the Convention passed yesterday.

Mr. Young, Chairman of the Committee, to whom was referred the subject of the time and place of the meeting of the next Convention, made the following report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee on Adjournment, to whom were referred the various propositions and proceedings had thereon, beg leave to report, That they have given to the whole matter their serious consideration; and, having done so, conclude that this Convention cannot properly, and therefore should not undertake to fix permanently, any time or place for holding other future meetings of Conventions. And your Committee respectfully recommend for adoption the following resolution, viz.—

Resolved, That our next annual Convention be held on the first Wednesday of September next, at Rosse Chapel, Gambier.

By the Committee,

ANDREW YOUNG, *Ch'n.*

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Mr. Fairchild.

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev, Bishop McIlvaine, together with the Secretary of the Convention and Rev. Mr. Wing, be a Committee to superintend the publication of the Journal, and that 800 copies of the same be published forthwith.

Rev. Mr. Bronson moved that the figures "800," be stricken out of the resolution of Mr. Fairchild, and that "500" be substituted. The question being taken on Rev. Mr. Bronsons amendment it was decided in the negative.

It was then moved that 750 be substituted for 800, which motion passed in the affirmative. The resolution of Mr. Fairchild, as amended was then, on motion, adopted.

On motion, it was resolved that the printing of the form of prayer for the monthly meeting for prayer in behalf of missions be entrusted to the Committee on the publication of the Journal.

The Convention, on motion, again took up the report of the Committee on Canons. The question being taken on the remaining amendments and alterations proposed by the Committee, with the exception of Canon XVI. they were severally adopted. The question being on the adoption of Canon XVI. on Contingent Expenses, Rev. Mr. Smallwood moved that the blank be filled with the sum of \$50. The Rev. Mr. Muensch moved as an amendment, that the blank be filled with the sum of \$30, instead of \$50. Rev. Mr. Varian moved to amend the amendment by substituting the sum of \$100 in place of \$30. The question being taken on Mr. Varian's amendment, it was negatived.

Rev. Mr. Burr moved to amend the amendment of Mr. Muensch, by inserting the sum of \$75 instead of \$30: and the question being taken on this amendment it was negatived.

The question being next taken on Mr. Muenschers's amendment, it was negatived. The question was then taken on the original motion, and it passed in the affirmative. The Canon was then, on motion, adopted.

Mr. Young moved as an amendment to the report of the Committee, that Canon II. Sec. I. be so amended as to read thus: "Two of these Vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens,—one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish." The question being taken on this amendment, it was decided in the affirmative.

On the question, shall the report of the Committee as amended be adopted? it was decided in the affirmative.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved, That the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese, the Constitution of the Theological Seminary of Ohio, and the Acts of Incorporation of the Seminary and College, be appended to the Journal.

The Rev. Mr. Killin, from the Standing Committee on Missions, made the following report.

The Committee on Missions respectfully present their Report:—

That portion of the Bishop's Address referring to the cause of Missions and Education, and also the report of the Missionary and Education Committee, have been submitted to them for consideration. The statement of facts in both documents is sufficiently startling to appeal to the wisdom and call forth the energetic and devout action of this Convention. Your Committee would beg most anxiously to recal, for the consideration of this body, the facts therein contained, for its candid and faithful investigation. We are yet the Church militant, and if the love of Christ constrains us not to do to the utmost what we can to carry the gospel to the perishing, our candlestick may soon be removed from its place. We are converted and left in the world to bring forth fruit to the glory of God. It must be for a lamentation and mourning to us that our bishop is obliged to bring before us such statements as in his address refer to the want of funds for domestic missions, and the want of candidates for the holy ministry, and to find these statements so painfully confirmed by the statistics presented in the report of the Missionary and Education Committee. It will thus appear that we are brought to an emergency which imperiously calls for the decided and prompt action of this Convention. The Domestic Mission and Education Committee have appropriated \$200 beyond the amount paid in, and the whole amount subscribed during the past year has been little over half the sum sent in the year preceding. It cannot be, with this result, that the Church has done what she could. Your Committee cannot but refer to the various parochial reports as evidence of how much might be done at the present time for the spread of the gospel in our own diocese. In every direction there is yet very much land to be possessed. Why should we be always last in the field?

With great faithfulness have your Committee looked to see if in any respect there was a deficiency in our missionary organization. The whole form is here; where is the life? The system of Missionary Convocation, as adopted in 1840, is in every way admirable in its construction. Were this system fully carried out, there can be little doubt but that our Church would soon strengthen itself beyond all precedent not only within the limits of this diocese, but also in those waste places where the precious gospel is entirely unknown. We would not embarrass the present system with any alterations; it is abundantly equal to every want if put into full operation.

On the want of candidates for the holy ministry as spoken of by our Bishop, and referred to by the Missionary and Education Committee, your Committee would speak simply in order to fasten attention on the remarks of the Bishop. To his solemn appeals we can add nothing, *We must have the men.* We shall sink into a condition worse and worse, if there be not an early increase of those who will consecrate body and soul to God for the work of the ministry. Our duty here is plain. There must be a succession of men full of faith and the Holy Ghost "as candidates for the poverty, the labours, the noble duties, and the glorious recompense of a faithful ministry." We must do with our might what our hand findeth to do, and work while it is day. The prayers of the Church must ascend. The hearts of all men are in the hands of the Lord.

In conclusion, the Committee propose the following resolution:—

Resolved, That a sermon to young men be preached annually before this Convention, at such time and by such clergyman as the Bishop shall appoint.

All which is respectfully submitted.

S. MARKS.

R. S. KILLIN.

H. L. NOBLE.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution contained in the above report, Rev. Mr. Muenschler moved that it be amended by striking out the words "to young men," and inserting in their place the following:—"On the claims of the Holy Ministry upon young men,"—which motion passed in the affirmative. The Resolution and Report were then adopted.

Rev. Mr. Sandels offered the following resolution which on motion was adopted.

Resolved, That the Clergy of this diocese be recommended to bring before their congregations at least once a year the claims of the ministry upon young men, and at the same time pressing upon the people the claims of those young men for support while pursuing their studies preparatory to the work of the ministry.

C. Delano Esq., from the Committee of Finance presented the following report, which on motion was adopted.

The Committee of Finance have examined the Treasurer's Report in relation to the Contingent Fund of the Convention, and find

the amount collected inadequate to meet the expenses of the past year by a difference of \$153 20, which sum the Convention now owe without the means of paying. They also find that the assessments still remaining unpaid on the books of the Treasurer for the two last years are, for 1841 \$107, and for 1842 \$156, making \$263. The Committee are of opinion that the sums thus due from the parishes on the assessments of the two last years, can be relied upon to meet the present liabilities of the Convention.

To meet the contingent expenses of the Convention for the coming year, they beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following Assessment:—

Trinity Ch. Columbus,	\$20 00	St. John's, Ohio City,	10 00
St. James', Zanesville,	12 00	St. Timothy's, Massillon,	6 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	12 00	St. John's, Lancaster,	2 00
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	10 00	Trinity, Lyme,	1 00
St. James', Boardman,	5 00	St. Paul's, Utica,	1 00
All Saints', Portsmouth,	8 00	Christ Ch., Liverpool. Medina Co.,	1 00
St. Thomas', St. Clairsville.	1 00	St. James', Painesville.	7 00
St. Mark's, Mill-Creek,	2 00	St. Andrew's, Elyria,	1 00
St. Matthew's, Perry,	1 00	Trinity, Jefferson,	1 00
Christ Ch. Cincinnati,	25 00	St. Paul's, Greenville,	1 00
St. Paul's, "	25 00	St. John's, Wakeman,	1 00
Grace, "	5 00	St. Stephen's, East Liverpool,	1 00
St. John's, Worthington,	5 00	St. Paul's, Maumee City,	1 00
St. James' Piqua,	8 00	Trinity, Toledo,	1 00
St. Paul's, Steubenville,	10 00	Bethel, Boston,	1 00
St. James', Cross-Creek,	6 00	St. Philip's, Strongsville,	1 00
St. Paul's, Medina,	7 00	St. John's, Dover,	1 00
St. Peter's, Delaware,	9 00	St. Paul's, Akron,	3 00
Grace, Berkshire,	3 00	Christ Ch., Springfield,	3 00
St. Stephen's, Grafton,	2 00	St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co.,	2 00
St. Matthew's, Hamilton,	3 00	St. Luke's, Columbia,	1 00
St. Philip's, Circleville,	8 00	Grace, Sandusky.	3 00
Trinity, Troy,	3 00	Christ Ch., Huron,	2 00
St. Luke's, Granville,	8 00	St. Matthew's, Madison, Musk. Co.,	2 00
Trinity, Newark,	3 00	St. Peter's, Rome,	1 00
St. Luke's, Marietta,	5 00	Christ Ch., Franklin, Portage Co.,	1 00
Trinity, Cleveland,	20 00	Christ Ch., Warren,	2 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	7 00	St. Matthew's, Plymouth,	1 00
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	9 00	Zion, Dresden,	1 00
Christ Ch., Dayton,	10 00	St. James', Wooster,	3 00
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	7 00	St. Mark's, Sydney,	1 00
Harcourt, Gambler,	6 00	Zion, Carrollton,	1 00
St. Michael's, Unionville,	2 00	St. Mark's, Newton Falls,	2 00

Your Committee beg leave further to add, that by conversation with the Treasurer, they are informed that there are a number of small balances of the parish assessments for the year 1840 unpaid, which balances in the opinion of the Committee, are so small as to render it inexpedient to attempt their collection. Your Committee therefore recommend that all such balances be stricken from the Treasurer's books.

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet at 7 o'clock.

7 o'clock, P. M.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment. On motion, the Convention resolved to go into the election of a Treasurer. Mr. George Browning and Mr. G. B. White were nominated, and Rev. Messrs. Sandels and Gray were appointed tellers.

On motion, the Convention resolved that a Committee of one be appointed to audit the Treasurer's account: Columbus Delano Esq. was appointed that Committee.

Rev. Mr. Davis offered the following resolution, which on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That the Secretary of each Missionary Convocation of this diocese be required to present, at least one week previous to the meeting of the Annual Convention, to the Secretary of the Missionary and Education Committee, a report of the proceedings of such Convocation during the year.

Rev. Mr. Gassaway offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, the duty of catechetical instruction of the baptized children of the Church is one which ought to receive the diligent attention of every parochial clergyman in the diocese.

Resolved, That the Rt. Rev. Bishop be requested to draw up and publish, at his earliest leisure, such suggestions with regard to the manner of discharging this duty by the clergy, as he may deem best calculated to assist them in doing it efficiently,

On motion, the Convention resolved that the reading of the remaining Parochial Reports be dispensed with.

The Rev. Mr. Burr, from the Committee to nominate the *Standing Committee* for the year ensuing, nominated the following persons.

Clergy.

Rev. Joseph Muenschner,
" M. T. C. Wing,
" Anson Clark.

Laymen.

D. B. Douglass,
George Browning,
W. S. Richards.

Balloting being by unanimous vote dispensed with, the nomination of the Committee was confirmed.

The Rev. Mr. Burr, from the same committee nominated the following persons as *Delegates to the General Convention*.

Clergy.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood,
" Mr. Morse,
" Mr. Bury,
" Mr. Hall.

Laymen.

A. Root,
A. Young,
J. Doddridge,
W. J. Reese.

Balloting being by unanimous vote dispensed with, the nomination was on motion, confirmed.

The Rev. Mr. Burr, from the same Committee nominated the following persons as the *Missionary and Education Committee*.

Clergy.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing,
" A. Blake,

Laymen.

D. B. Douglass,
H. L. Thrall,

Rev. J. Muenschcr,
“ J. Sandels.

M. White,
G. Browning.

Baloting being dispensed with by unanimous vote, the nomination was on motion confirmed.

The Chair announced that George Browning Esq. having received a majority of votes for Treasurer, was duly elected.

Hon. W. K. Bond offered the following resolution, which, on motion was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, 'That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to Geo. Browning, Esq. for the faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of 'Treasurer of the Diocese in years past, and that he be respectfully requested to accept the office another year.

Hon. W. K. Bond offered the following resolution, which on motion was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, 'That the thanks of the Convention are due to the congregation of Harcourt Parish, the citizens of Gambier and its vicinity, for their hospitality and christian kindness to the members of this Convention, and that they are hereby affectionately tendered.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Bronson, it was resolved, that the Act of Incorporation of the Trustees of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and a form of conveyance of property be published in connexion with the Journal.

Rev. Mr. Clark, Chairman of the Committee on assessment of the Bishop's Salary made the following report, which was on motion adopted.

'The Committee appointed to apportion the sums required from the different Parishes, towards the fund for the support of the Episcopate &c., respectfully report that they have assessed upon the Parishes for the deficit in the last years' salary; and the minium sum which each Parish should pay towards the salary for the ensuing year, your committee believe to be exhibited in the following schedule.

SALARY FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE BISHOP.

	<i>Paid.</i>	<i>Assessment for deficit.</i>	<i>Apportionment for</i>
	1841-2	1841-2	1842-3
Trinity. Columbus,	\$ 43	\$ 35	\$ 90
St. James', Zanesville,	60	15	75
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	50		60
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	74		70
St. James', Boardman,	3	15	20
All Saints', Portsmouth,	43		50
St. Thomas'. St. Clairville,	5		5
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	10		10
St. Matthew's. Perry,	10		10
Christ Ch., Cincinnati,	153	47	200
St. Paul's, do	105	95	200
St. John's, Worthington,	13	5	20
St. James', Piqua,	29	15	50
St. Paul's Steubenville,	58	17	75
St. James', Cross Creek,	15		20
St. Paul's, Medina,	25		30
St. Peter's, Delaware,	22	20	50
Grace Ch., Berkshire,	10	5	20

	<i>Paid.</i> 1841-2	<i>Assessment for deficit.</i> 1841-2	<i>Apportionment for</i> 1842-3
St. Stephen's, Grafton,		10	10
St. Matthew's, Hamilton,		10	10
St. Philip's, Circleville,	58	10	75
Trinity, Troy,		10	10
St. Luke's, Granville,	12	18	30
Trinity, Newark,	30	10	45
St. Luke's, Marietta,		10	20
Trinity, Cleveland,	90	10	100
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	24	11	35
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	58	15	75
Christ Ch., Dayton,	40		40
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	28		30
St. James', Painesville,	15	10	25
Harcourt, Gambier,	40	20	80
St. Michael's, Unionville,		5	5
St. John's, Ohio City,	23	15	40
St. Timothy's, Massillon,	40		45
Trinity, Lima,	1 88	5	10
Christ Ch., Liverpool,	5		10
St. Andrew's, Elyria,		15	15
Trinity, Jefferson,			
St. Paul's, Greenville,			5
St. John's, Wakeman,			5
St. Stephen's, E. Liverpool,		5	5
St. Paul's, Maumee,	10	10	25
Bethel, Boston,	4	10	15
St. Philip's, Strongsville,		10	15
St. John's, Dover,		5	5
St. Paul's, Akron,	15		25
Christ Ch. Spring'd, (Clark)	5	10	15
St. Luke's, Columbia,	5		5
Grace Ch., Sandusky,	20		25
Christ Ch. Huron,	14		15
Christ Ch., Franklin,		5	10
Christ Ch., Warren,			10
St. Matthew's, Plymouth,	5	5	10
Zion Ch., Dresden,			10
Grace Ch., Cincinnati,		15	25
St. James', Wooster,		10	15
St. John's, Springfield, (Jef.)	5		10
Christ Ch., Hudson,			10
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,			15
St. Paul's, Hartsgrove,			10
St. Paul's, L. Sandusky,			20
St. John's, Lancaster,		15	15
St. Matthew's, Madison,		5	10

A. CLARK, Ch'n. Com.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese then declared his willingness to relinquish \$500 of his salary for the year ensuing.

On motion, the Convention, after the usual religious exercises, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,

Bishop of the Diocese.

Attest

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

A P P E N D I X .

P A R O C H I A L R E P O R T S .

CHRIST CHURCH, DAYTON.

REV. ETHAN ALLEN, RECTOR.

The Rev. Ethan Allen, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton, reports to the Bishop, that 3 communicants have been added during the past year, 2 of which were by removals into the parish—2 have withdrawn, 2 died, and 5 removed—leaving the present number 49—Marriages 4; Baptisms 10, of which one was adult; Funerals 8, of which two were children and two not of the parish. Communicants' offerings, \$46 76, of which \$40 have been appropriated to the Bishop's Salary. For parochial purposes there have been raised about \$250 besides the Rector's salary which has been not far from \$575.

God's chastening hand has been heavy upon us. We have lost 4 heads of families by death and 6 by removal, besides a number of single persons. The decrease in the number of communicants is painful. I believe that it is but the second time during a ministry of more than twenty-three years, I have had to report a decrease. An amazing degree of lukewarmness has prevailed among us, and God has accordingly shown us his displeasure.

But in our losses by death, I have been permitted to witness triumphs of grace and triumphs over death, such as I have seldom witnessed or read of, and well repay me for all the discouragements of the year now past. To God be all the glory through Jesus Christ. Amen.

REV. N. BADGER, GAMBIER;

Reports, that in addition to attending to his duties in Gambier, he has preached several times in the vicinity, and baptized one adult in Utica.

HARCOURT PARISH, GAMBIER.

REV. ALFRED BLAKE, RECTOR,

Reports to the Bishop—Baptisms 3, Funerals 6, Confirmed 5, Communicants about 120, collections for Missionary and Education Society \$60, Bishop's Salary about \$40.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHILLICOTHE.

REV. JAMES B. BRITTON, RECTOR.

The Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, would respectfully present to the Bishop the following report of the state of his parish:—

I entered upon this charge on Whitsunday, May 10th, of the present year, after a vacancy in the rectorship of the parish of more than a year, when I found a lively interest manifested in the renewal of services, and was received personally in the most cordial manner.

The number of Communicants regularly communing at that time, was 43; since that time there have been added 16, and 3 have removed, making the present number of regular Communicants in this parish 56. I have Baptized 4 adults and 4 infants, and have had no funerals and no marriages.

Contributions, besides the regular alms at the monthly communion and the weekly collection for incidental expenses, have been as follows.—Bishop's salary \$50, parish assessment \$12, Domestic and Foreign Missions \$12, Diocesan Committee at Convocation \$21 50 cts, weekly offerings for 5 Sundays \$7 25. 46 families are in whole or in part connected with the parish. About 50 of the 70 pews are sold or rented and regularly taxed for the support of the Rector; a new bell has been purchased, and the erection of a parsonage on the Church lot is contemplated at an early period. The congregations are good, and services are held twice on the Lord's day and on Wednesday evening. A parochial school is about being established. The Sunday School has 60 scholars and 12 teachers, besides a male and female superintendent and librarian, and the Rector attends to the Bible classes. The parish is much indebted to the former incumbent, for the foundation of a parish library of excellent books.

During the four months of my residence here, but a single Sunday have services been intermitted when I officiated for the parish at Columbus then vacant. During the week I have officiated at Kingston, Egypt and Lancaster, at which latter place the Church ought to lift up her candlestick.

In contemplating the state of the parish, the Rector humbly hopes that the Divine blessing is resting upon his flock, not only as it regards external things, but what is of vastly greater importance, as it regards the life of God in the soul of man.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MARIETTA.

REV. JAMES BONNAR, MINISTER.

I have admitted to the Church by holy Baptism, 6 adults and 17 children. I have added to the list of Communicants 22 names, ten by Confirmation; three as ready and desirous to be confirmed and nine from other parishes; of these last two have removed, one has left the Church by connecting himself with the Methodists. One of those confirmed has died.—During my incumbency the congregation has changed but little, the average number in attendance being about 100, as I judge. There are about 30 families; several young men, and some serving women, who are not connected with families, also attend. I may mention that there are seven persons whose names are on the list of Communicants, who do not attend from the distance at which they live. Two invalids living in town have not communed for about a year. I think there are now forty-five on the communion list. The average attendance on the communion is about 22. I have married 5 couples, and buried 8 adults and 4 children.

Since I took charge, there have been collected by monthly offerings, over \$127 for parochial expenses, such as sexton, fuel, cleaning, Convention expenses, &c. For the Episcopate we paid \$88. For the Sunday School we collected \$14, and for sundry other purposes \$9 50.

BETHEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

REV. ABRAHAM BRONSON, RECTOR.

For the year past the Rev. A. Phelps has been employed to assist the Rector in his labors. The stated congregation has more than doubled; a Sewing Society has been formed, devoted wholly to the interests of the parish; and it is believed that some sinners have been brought to repentance. The Rector has performed service at Strongsville once, at

Columbiana twice, at Windsor once, and at Franklin once. Baptisms, infants, 3; Confirmations 4; Marriage 1; Funerals 2; Sunday Scholars 12; Communicants (from abroad 2, removed 2, added 7)—30. Contributions, \$5 for Missions, 4 for Bishop, and 4 for Sunday School — \$13.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GRANVILLE.

REV. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Adult 1. Infants 7. Confirmed 8. Communicants added, from other Churches 5, and by examination 7; removed 8; withdrawn 2; died 2; present number 56. Marriages 3; funerals 4. Sunday School same as last year. Services have been regularly performed in this Church during the year with the exception of one Sunday, and the Rector has preached 8 times in other places.

The Female Seminary connected with this Church is in a sound and healthful condition, and its prospects quite flattering. It is conducted in so thorough and judicious a manner as to merit the patronage of its friends.

CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. JOHN T. BROOKE, RECTOR.

Since the last Convention, there have been added to this Church of new Communicants 10, on certificate from other churches 4, removed 12, deceased 3—present number 152. Marriages 15; Baptisms, adults 5, infants 17—total 22; Confirmations 19; Funerals 7. The contributions of the parish for the last year have been upwards of \$1200.

REV. JOHN L. BRYAN.

Rev. John L. Bryan reports to the Bishop, that, although without a parochial charge, he has officiated regularly in Windsor one half of his time during the past year, while the other half has, for the most part, been devoted to missionary services at the following places, viz:—Hartsgrove, Rome, Parkman and Green, which last is a new field lying some 16 or 17 miles N. E. of Windsor. With no design of boasting, the fact is made known to the Church, that these services have been performed without any adequate earthly support received for the same. One Sunday was spent and a sermon preached at Cuyahoga Falls during the Bishop's visitation in May last, and a meeting of the N. E. Convocation was attended at Cleveland on the 22d of June last.

I have thus endeavored to scatter the good seed of the Word on the way side, leaving the result to Him who has said that it shall not return to him void.

In the month of April last, the Lord led him and his companion through the deep waters of affliction in suddenly taking from them, by drowning, a lovely little boy, *Edwin Gray*, aged 2 years and 3 months. Although the parting was heart-rending, yet by Divine grace they can say, "gone, but not lost;" assured that if faithful unto death, we shall find him again, like another Joseph, in all his glory in the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Statistics at Windsor:—Baptisms 2 adults, Funerals 3, Marriage 1. Communicants not known, the state of the members being such as not to admit of the administration of the Lord's Supper to them.

ALL-SAINTS' CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH.

REV. ERASTUS BURR, RECTOR.

Through the blessing of God, the parish under my charge has enjoyed a reasonable degree of prosperity during the past year. The congregation is steadily increasing, and a

goodly number have renounced their sins and solemnly avowed their allegiance to Christ. Baptisms, infants 25, adults 11—36; Confirmed 16; Communicants, removed 4, added from other parishes 7, by profession 25—32, present number 95; Funerals 4; Sunday school scholars 130; Sunday school teachers 21.

TRINITY CHURCH, CLEVELAND.

REV. RICHARD BURY, RECTOR.

The parochial report of Trinity Church for the present year, since last Convention, is as follows:—Baptisms (adults 6, infants 30) 36; Confirmations 22; Communicants (added 43, removed by death and otherwise 38,) present number 142; Marriages (in Cleveland 11, elsewhere 2,) 13; Funerals (in Cleveland 21, elsewhere 1,) 22; Sunday school scholars (number on the list 120, average attendance about 90, 1 superintendent and 17 teachers, books in the library about 260 vols.: alms collected for the poor at communion \$103 33; collected for Sunday school books, \$26 50; collected for Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese \$40; paid for diocesan assessment \$20; paid for support of the Episcopate \$90.

Besides the usual services in my parish on the Lord's day, also every Friday morning, when the discretionary part of the litany is included; and other occasional services appointed of the Church; I have officiated one Sunday at Hudson, preached the evening of the same day at Akron, and ministered a number of times, on other days of the week, to the people in different neighborhoods of my parish. While it hath pleased our Divine Master to give us, in some good degree, his gracious blessing, for which we would humbly thank him, and take courage; there is still much room, in the midst of us, for improvement. In the devout use of His own appointed means, which are always the best, and alone sufficient to the great end of the sinner's moral renovation and recovery, we desire patiently to wait his own good time—For 'Paul may plant and Apollos water, but God giveth the increase.'

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, CIRCLEVILLE.

REV. ANSON CLARK, RECTOR.

The Rector of St. Philip's in presenting his annual report to the Convention, takes pleasure in recording the prosperous condition of the parish under his charge. The year past has been one abundant in spiritual blessings. The Lord of his own infinite goodness and in answer to the prayers of his people, has visited this portion of his Church with the reviving dews of his grace, the consequence of which has been, as we trust, the real conversion of many souls from darkness to light, and the addition of a large number to our communion. At the visitation of our beloved Diocesan in May last, 52 were presented for confirmation. Eight of these were communicants before, and some of those who were the subjects of the revival had been confirmed already, so that the number which may be regarded as the fruit of this gracious visitation of the Spirit, may be estimated at about 45. These, it is believed, "all continue steadfast in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship and in breaking of bread and in prayers."

The statistics of the parish are as follows:—Number of Communicants reported last year 50, added since by removal and recent profession 48—98; removed from the parish 4, died 1—5; present number 93. Baptisms, adults 13, infants 22—35. Funerals 10. Marriages 4. Sunday school scholars 65. The contributions of the parish have been during the year past, to aid a feeble parish in building a church \$34 56; Domestic Missions 32 81, Foreign Missions 38 00, Episcopate fund 58 25—\$163 62. There is also a Sewing Society connected with the Church, the funds of which are appropriated to benevolent purposes.

*Journal of the Convention***GRACE CHURCH, CINCINNATI.****REV. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D. D., RECTOR.**

Baptisms 4. Confirmed 11, Communicants added 30, removed 15, died 1, present number 30. Marriages 4. Funerals 6. Sunday school, including two Bible classes, 110 scholars and 12 teachers. Since the last Convention, the Church edifice of this parish has been completed, and was opened for Divine worship on Sunday, the 10th of July. It is a substantial gothic structure, and affords sittings for between 500 and 600 worshippers, having in the basement a commodious Sunday school and lecture room. Services since the opening of the Church, twice on Sunday, and once during the week.

CHRIST CHURCH, FRANKLIN MILLS, AND CHRIST CHURCH, HUDSON.**REV. G. S. DAVIS, MISSIONARY.**

I commenced services at the above places August 25th, 1841, since that time I have continued there without intermission. The congregation in Franklin has increased in number, but with little or no increase of ability to support the gospel, but a visible improvement in church principles and vital religion. The prejudices against the church have in a great measure been done away. At Hudson services have been held every other Sabbath by the aid of brothers Freeman, Bury, Varian, Bronson, Phelps, and Fairchild, each giving two Sabbaths to this station. For some time past I have given a third service, on the intervening Sabbath, and at Brimfield the Sabbath when Hudson was supplied by the brethren,

The Church numbered in 1841, 45; lost by removal, 1,—44; added by removal 6, total 50; Confirmations 8, Baptisms, Adults 2; Infants 20; Burials 9; Marriages 1; Missions \$5.43; Episcopate fund, \$5; Sabbath school teachers 8, Scholars, 40; number of families attending church 40, number of individuals, 150 to 200.

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBUS.**REV. CHARLES FOX, RECTOR.**

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir,—Having resigned the charge of this parish, I beg herewith to send you, for the next Convention, the statistics for the year that I have been Rector. Baptisms—Infants 19, Adults 5—24. Marriages 6. Funerals 8. Confirmations 19. Communicants added, new 18—from other Churches 13—31, withdrawn 3—removed 13—total about 108. Services have been held in the morning and afternoon of each Sunday, on each Thursday evening, and during Lent on each Wednesday and Friday; and every evening during passion week, besides on the other Fasts and Festivals of the Church. A flourishing Sunday school has been superintended by the Rector in person; and for the greater part of the year a missionary lecture has been delivered on the first Monday of each month, and a Bible Class held each Sunday evening. The children have been catechised in church each second Sunday. A Ladies Sewing Society, Missionary monthly meeting and Bible and Prayer Book Society, have likewise existed. Contributions have been made to various objects of the Church,

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBUS.**REV. A. F. DOBB, RECTOR.**

The undersigned took charge of this parish on Sunday, July 24th. He has administered the holy communion but once, when about 70 persons participated; on the register are reported 95. The attendance on all our services is encouraging. There is among the people a good deal of zealous attachment to the order, orthodoxy and sound spirituality of the

Church. A Ladies' Missionary Association is, we trust, accomplishing, much good.—Besides other contributions, they at present support a beneficiary at Kenyon College. Our three Sunday schools are flourishing. The pupils are catechized by the rector once a month "openly in the Church." Owing to the peculiar construction of the Church edifice, the present incumbent has discontinued the surplice; when the vestry furnish one to the Church, and make arrangements for its use, "decently and in order," it will be cheerfully resumed.

A. F. DOBB, *Rector.*

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH. DOVER, CUYAHOGA CO.

To the Secretary of the Convention of the Episcopal Church, which meets at Gamble, on the 8th of September, pursuant to call of the Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio. Dear Sir:—Below you have the annual returns of St. John's Church, Dover, Cuyahoga County.

Baptisms the year past 6. Confirmations 6. Present number of Communicants 15. Deaths 2 adults and 1 child. Number of adults and children in Sabbath school, say 20 to 25.

L. L. ADAMS, *Clerk of the Vestry.*

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BOARDMAN, AND ST. STEPHEN'S, CANFIELD.

REV. J. T. EATON, MINISTER.

Baptisms since my last report—8 infants, 2 adults—Communicants removed 6, died 1, added 8, present number 50. The pecuniary ability of the parish is much diminished; but, though we have many deficiencies to lament and amend, its spiritual condition is, on the whole, encouraging. Have officiated during the past summer six times, once on a funeral occasion, in Youngstown, where very good attendance is given.

REV. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, MISSIONARY,
Centerville, Gallia Co.

Reports to the Bishop that he has been actually engaged as a missionary at this station during the last four years. And he has had good reason to believe that his labours have not been in vain in the Lord. In looking back over the past, he finds much to encourage and for which he ought to be thankful. The great head of the Church has put it into the hearts of some of the more wealthy parishes of this Diocese to assist in the building of a Church in this station for the accommodation of the Welsh people, who are emigrating in great numbers to this settlement. The people of my charge deem it a great favor to enjoy the services of their beloved Zion in their native tongue.

Number of families attending public worship 30, number of individuals, 150 to 200. Baptisms during the last four years 42; Communicants at present 62; funerals of the congregation 15, other 14, Sunday scholars, 30; Teachers, 5.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WORTHINGTON.

REV. ROBERT S. ELDER, MINISTER.

Reports to the Bishop that immediately after his ordination on Sept. 12, 1841, he came to this parish and preached his first sermon on the 19th of the same month, since which time he has preached every Sunday, generally in his own pulpit, and occasionally in exchange with his brethren in the neighboring parishes, and frequently during the week he has held lectures in the country around. He found in connection with the parish when he first took charge of it 54 communicants. Since that time there have removed 7; Died 2, added by confirmation 5, making the present number 50. He has baptized infants 12, adults 1—13; attended 5 Funerals, solemnized three Marriages. There is in connection a flour-

ishing Sunday school, averaging in attendance 65; teachers female 9, male 8—17, also a Bible class numbering from 12 to 16 members. There has been collected for Diocesan missions, first, from general collection in the Church, \$5 87½; Ladies Missionary Society, \$10, making in all \$15 87½. Besides the Female Missionary Society of long and tried standing, the Ladies of the parish are actively and energetically engaged as a Sewing Society, in accumulating funds to aid in the erection and completion of a *Parsonage*. The prospects of the parish at this time may be considered favorable.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WOOSTER.

REV. WILLIAM FAGG, DEACON,

Reports, that since his ordination, on the 14th of August, he has preached six times in St. James' Church, Wooster. This parish is, at present, apparently in a very flourishing condition. There have been during the year, Baptisms (4 adults, 4 infants) 8. Confirmed 11, Marriage 1, Funerals 2. Communicants removed 6, new communicants, 8, present number 33. Contributions at the communions \$23 44. For support of the Episcopate \$7. The congregation has, since last convention, erected a very neat, and for the present, a sufficiently commodious Church edifice. The building is a frame, well finished, and cost, including the organ, bell, &c. \$2250. There is a Sunday school connected with the parish, recently organized, having 8 teachers, and the names of 62 children on the roll—the average attendance of scholars about 45. A collection of \$12 taken up for Sunday school library.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CUYAHOGA FALLS.

REV. T. B. FAIRCHILD, RECTOR.

Communicants reported last year 46. present number 62. Baptisms, infants 11, adults 2—13. Confirmations 16. Marriages 1. Burials 4. Collections for Diocesan Missions \$13, Episcopate \$30; Sunday school Scholars 50. Since the last report a Church has been organized in Hudson, which will take off a few of the present number of St. John's Church, but as they have no regular minister and have made no list of communicants I have included them in the above list.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, AKRON.

REV. L. N. FREEMAN, RECTOR.

I entered upon the active duties of this Parish on the first of November last. I found the Parish in a very weak and discouraging state, but, with the blessing of God upon our labors, its state is now every way encouraging. The congregation has more than doubled in regular attendants upon the services of the Church, and the prospect of its increasing in the future, is highly flattering. There have been added to the list of Communicants 19, died or removed 6, present number 36. Baptisms, infants 8. Confirmations 10. Funerals 10. Contributions to the Episcopate \$15; for Sunday school library, \$3 62, to the Convention fund \$3. My Missionary services have been rendered at Hudson.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, DELAWARE.

REV. STEPHEN G. GASSAWAY, MINISTER.

Reports, that during the past year there have been added to the number of communicants in the parish 4, and 8 have removed, leaving the number 71. During the same period have been performed Baptisms, adult 1, infant 4—5, Marriages 9, Funerals 10. The Sunday

school, superintended by the Minister, is taught by 12 teachers, and has an average attendance of 65 to 70 scholars. The parish has contributed during the past year \$17 to Missions \$2 to the Bishop's salary for 1842.

In addition to the regular parish duties, the minister has preached during a considerable portion of the year, on the afternoon of three Sabbaths in every four, at St. Paul's, Radnor, and at two stations, the one three miles south, the other five miles north of Delaware. He has also preached two or three times in Marlon, where, he is rejoiced to say, that a good work for our Church has been begun by Mr. James Campbell, an English gentleman, who having immigrated thither during the past year, has taken license as lay-reader and held regular services. These are attended by a congregation alike respectable for numbers and intelligence, and considerable desire to have our Church established among them has been excited:

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MEDINA,

REV. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, RECTOR.

Present number of Communicants 100, removed 3, added 2. Baptisms, children 7, adults 1—8. Funerals 4. Marriages 6. Confirmation 6. I have also baptized two children in Elyria, and preached regularly in my missionary duty. My Sabbath school report is as follows:—Male scholars 25, female 43—68. Male teachers 4, female 8—12. Books in the library 160.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, CROSS-CREEK.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, RECTOR.

The situation of this parish is much the same as it was last year. For the benefit of our aged and infirm members, I have regularly kept up two week day services, each, once in four weeks, in remote parts of the parish, and during the winter have had a greater number. I have found this plan fully answer my expectations in keeping together the scattered parts of my congregation, and in bringing many persons into closer contact with me than would be the case in more public services. Marriages 5. Funerals 5. Baptisms, infant 7. Communicants added 7, died 2, removed 5, total 80. Confirmed 14. Contributed for Diocesan Missions \$17 57½, towards the support of the Episcopate 15.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. CLAIRSVILLE.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, MISSIONARY.

This parish appears nearly the same as it was when I first preached there. To rally the congregation, I have preached for the two past years once in four weeks on the week day evening, at two places, each three miles north and south of the village. I have had more encouragement here than at the church. I have endeavored to declare to the people the whole counsel of God, in public and in private. I have received many proofs of kindness from the citizens generally, but have not had for two years one addition to the Church.—Baptisms, infant 7. Communicants 20. Funerals 3. Contributed towards Diocesan Missions \$5.

ST. ALBAN'S CHURCH, DEERSVILLE.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, MISSIONARY.

Soon after the last Convention, I took charge of this congregation. Our prospects have considerably brightened during the year. The vestry have fitted up very commodiously, a

building as a temporary church that will seat over a hundred persons, Connected with this parish, I have one week day congregation eight miles south of Deersville. Baptisms adult 1, infant 2, total 3. Communicants added 11, removed 1, total 17. Contributed towards Diocesan Missions \$2 50.

Besides these places I have occasionally preached for my brethren at Steubenville, Massillon, Waynesburg, Carolton and Springfield, in Ohio, and at Wheeling and Wellsburgh in Virginia.

**ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, STRONGSVILLE, ST. LUKES' CHURCH, COLUMBIA,
AND ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OHIO CITY.**

REV. ALVAH GUION, RECTOR.

I remained in the east two months after the meeting of the last Convention, during which time I preached in various places in the Dioceses of New York and Massachusetts. In November I returned and took the temporary charge of the parishes of St. Philip's Strongsville and St. Luke's Columbia, both of which had been for some time destitute of clerical services, and were in a feeble depressed state. My labours were given to these parishes about four months. During this short period the number that attended our services in St. Luke's Columbia, increased about three fold, and many were led anxiously to inquire what they should do to be saved.

The Parish of St. Philip's Church, Strongsville, though organized nine years ago only numbered, (as reported to me by the Vestry) six families: it was so nearly dead, that four out of five Vestrymen were of the opinion that nothing could be raised towards the support of a Clergyman. To this parish thirteen families have been added, and a lively interest has been awakened in favour of our beloved church. In proof of this \$1200 were subscribed, and a contract made for building a neat Church, with a Tower in front and a Vestry room in the rear. The money subscribed will finish and paint the Church, so that the parish will be entirely free from debt. A female Sewing Society has been organized in this parish, which bids fair to raise from 40 to \$50 per annum for Parochial and Missionary purposes.

St. Philip's Church, Strongsville.—Baptisms, infants 4. Communicants added 5, present number 17. Funeral 1.

St. Luke's Church, Columbia, Baptisms—adults 2, infants 4—6. Communicants added 6, present number 31. Funeral 1.

On the 19th day of April last, I took charge of St. John's, Ohio City. Having labored in this parish four months, I now feel obliged to give it up in consequence of bad health. During this period of time there has been a small increase to the number that attended our services; the Female Sewing Society has been revived; and the Sunday school has increased from 6 teachers and 25 scholars, to 14 teachers and 94 scholars.

St. John's Church, Ohio City.—Baptisms, adults 2, infants 6, total 8. Confirmed 5.—Communicants added 6, removed 5, present number 76, Marriage 1. Funerals 2 (both of the parish of Trinity Church, Cleveland, during the absence of the Rev. Mr. Bury.) Contributed towards the support of the Episcopate \$23, and for Missions 12 27.

I have also preached five times in Trinity Church, Cleveland, once in St. John's, Dover three times in St. Andrew's, Elyria and administered the holy Communion, and twice in St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ASHTABULA.

REV. JOHN FALL, RECTOR.

Reports to the Bishop the state of the parishes in which he has labored the last year as follows.—Families 40. Baptized persons 206. Baptized adults 88. Baptisms past year—

adult 1, infants 9—10. Communicants, died 1, removed 6, admitted 1, received from abroad 3, present number 94. Marriages 3. Deaths, adult 1, infants 2—3. In this parish he has officiated since last Convention 25 weeks.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

Families 25. Baptized persons 105. Baptized adults 51. Baptisms, infants 3. Communicants, died 1—28. Marriages 3. Deaths adults 2. In this parish he has officiated since Easter last, 7 weeks. The new parish Church here is finished and ready for consecration.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, UNIONVILLE.

Families 16. Baptized persons 71. Baptized adults 35. Baptisms, adult 1, infants 2—3. Communicants, died 2, removed 6, admitted 6, received from abroad 3—32 present number. Marriages 2. Deaths, adult 3. In this parish he has performed 9 weeks' service since last Convention.

In May last Mr. Hall visited Hartsgrove in the S. West part of Ashtabula Co., where he found 16 Episcopal families and 9 Communicants. He organized them into a parish by the name of "The Parish of St. Paul's Church, Hartsgrove." 1 infant he baptized. He has since visited them and performed divine service both morning and evening, administered the Holy Communion, and preached two sermons on the Lord's day. There are 30 Sunday Scholars and a small Bible Class receiving instruction in this parish. Services for 1 week have been rendered in this parish.

In Trinity Church, Jefferson he has performed 3 weeks service. In Monroe, near Penn. line, and in Conneaut, Penn., he has performed 1 week's service. In Geneva he has performed 1 week's service. At Cuyahoga Falls, attended Convocation, at which place, and in going and returning, at Chagrin Falls and at Painesville he performed 1 week's service.

At Cleveland also, attended Convocation, and at this place, and in St. John's, Dover, on the following Sunday and several other days—1 week's service.

In all 49 weeks' service, occupying all the Sundays but 2, when I was sick, and most of the Holy-days, and including the usual routine of clerical service on other days.

REV. ALBERT HELFENSTEIN, SEN.

Reports to the Bishop that he has preached regularly every other Sunday at St. Mary's, with few exceptions; once at Lima, Allen Co.; once at Troy as a supply; and on three different Sundays at Piquette, two of which were Communion seasons. No parish has as yet been organized at St. Mary's, though the canonical number of names have been secured for an association. It is thought advisable that this measure be postponed until the navigation shall be opened to this place. To be premature in forming parishes, notwithstanding the requisite number of signatures may have been obtained has sometimes proved more detrimental than advantageous. If there be not a sufficient amount of the leaven of the church among the materials collected, it seems expedient to wait for a more propitious period.—That God may shed his redeeming grace here, as well as upon the whole church, we humbly pray.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MILL CREEK.

REV. JOHN HENSHAW, MISSIONARY,

Reports that for the last year he has devoted one-half of his time to the above congregation, which is at present in a prosperous condition. Baptisms, infants 11. 1 Marriage.

Communicants, died 1, removed 2—3, added, new ones 5, from abroad, 3—8, present number 40. On the Bishop's salary \$10. Some repairs have been made to the Church edifice, though not to the extent that could have been desired.

To *St. Matthew's Church, Perry*, he has devoted one fourth of his time. Baptisms, 4 infants. Communicants 30. No change since he took charge of the congregation. On the Bishop's salary \$10. He is discouraged and has ceased his connexion with the congregation.

To Newport and vicinity, Tuscarawas Co., he has given every fourth Sunday. Communicants 8, Funeral 1. Though his success has not been equal to his expectation, yet it has been such as to encourage him to persevere.

At Eastport he has preached once in four weeks on a week day. On Buckhorn, near Newcomerstown, he has preached on a week day, once a month since February, and baptized 3 infants. On White-eyes, near Evansburgh, he has preached on a week day, once a month since December. He has also preached three times in Dresden; once at *St. Matthew's, Madison*; once at *Warsaw*; twice at each of the following places: *Crawford's in Holmes Co., Westbedford and Coshocton*, and baptized 1 infant in the last named place.

GRACE CHURCH, SANDUSKY CITY.

REV. B. H. HICKOX, MINISTER.

In addition to my regular services in this place, I have preached some eight or ten times at Venice. I have also officiated one Sunday at New-Haven, Huron county and Baptized an adult. Baptisms, adults 2, infants 23—25. Marriages 1. Funerals 5. Communicants added 17, whole number 38. Sunday school scholars about 60. No confirmations in consequence of the Bishop's ill health. Contributions to Missionary Fund \$10, to Bishop's Fund \$20.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. H. V. D. JOHNS, RECTOR,

Baptisms, adults 3, infants 22. Burials, adults 4, infants 6. Marriages 7. Communicants, removed by death 2, and from other causes 22, received on certificate 12, admitted as new communicants 13, making the present number 154. Sunday school children 100, teachers 16. Contributions from all sources about \$600.

The Rector records his gratitude to God for the blessings of his providence and of his grace to this Church during the last five years, and as he is now on the eve of a removal to another field of labor, avails himself of this occasion to acknowledge his obligations to his beloved Bishop, for his faithful care and effective aid, and also to his vestry and congregation for their kind and indulgent support. The associations and Christian friendships formed in the discharge of the duties of this parish, will never be forgotten, nor can the Rector ever cease to bear on his heart in prayer, the members of his late communion circle. May this Church grow in grace and in the faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, and be distinguished for its sincere godliness and sound, but not exaggerated churchmanship.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, STRONGSVILLE, AND ST LUKE'S, COLUMBIA.

REV. HUGH KELLY.

Last Easter I took charge of *St. Philip's Church, Strongsville*, and *St. Luke's Church, Columbia*. In the former parish I have Baptized one adult person and Married one couple. Last May 4 persons were Confirmed. The present number of Communicants is 19. This parish is now engaged in building a Church edifice, the corner stone of which was laid by

the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese at his late visitation, which we expect will be finished before Christmas.

In Columbia there have been Baptized 4 infants and 2 adults; we have had also 2 Funerals. 9 persons have received Confirmation. Number of Communicants 34. This parish is much revived and encouraged.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PIQUA.

REV. R. S. KILLIN, RECTOR.

Number of Communicants when I took charge of the parish 63—deceased 2, removed 2, added 13, present number 72. Baptisms, adults 4, children 11—15. Marriage 1. Sabbath school Scholars, 60; Teachers 12. Burials, adults 2, children 3—5. Subscribed to Missions \$76 43; to the Episcopate \$28 50.

During a part of the year I have given every fourth Sabbath to labours beyond the limits of my own parish. The result exhibits the following services. Sidney 16, Trinity Church, Troy 17, St. James' Chapel 7, Greenville 2, Miscellaneous 11. Regular services twice on the Sabbath, and a weekly lecture, I have been enabled to sustain in my own parish during a large portion of the year. Since my connection with this parish there has been a large addition to the number of hearers—a very encouraging interest in missionary objects as exhibited in the increased attendance at the monthly meeting for prayer, and the cheerfulness with which, during an almost unexampled depression in commercial affairs, they have given of their substance for the spread of the gospel.

There have been many indications during the last few months of the Holy Spirit as being present in our midst; and I would humbly hope that the time is not far distant when many will turn to the Lord with full purpose of heart. I fear to speak decidedly, and yet I cannot help saying, that the signs are such as to encourage the hope that the Lord has much people here of such as shall be saved. All events are with our God.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MAUMEE CITY.

REV. J. S. LARGE, MINISTER,

Reports that on taking charge of this parish on the 1st of November last, there were Communicants 26, since added 9, removed to other places 3, died 2, present number 30. Baptisms, adults 5, infants and children 10, total 15. Funerals 4. Marriage 1. Children in Sunday school 40, Teachers 7. Contribution to Sunday school library \$12. Expenses of Clergymen for administering the Communion, \$16. Domestic Missions \$9. Towards the support of the Episcopate, \$10. We labour under great disadvantages here for want of a suitable building, in a convenient situation. The church is however, by the blessing of God daily gaining strength.

I devote one fourth of my time to Perrysburg where we have 2 communicants. The congregation here is steadily increasing, and appears to be acquiring a greater interest in our services.

I have preached on two occasions at Toledo, where I baptized 3 children. Exchanged once with the Rev. Mr. O'Brian, of Monroe, who kindly administered the Communion for us, and preached once at Sandusky City.

REV. EDWARD LOUNSEURY, DEACON.

Reports, that immediately after the last Convention he took charge of Trinity Parish, Toledo, which after two months he was obliged by protracted sickness, to resign. Of that

parish he has nothing to communicate, except that since his resignation the ground has been otherwise occupied, and but little prospect now remains that the parish will soon be resuscitated.

Since the first of April he has officiated in connection with Christ Church, Cincinnati. During the year he has preached 67 times in different places, baptized 1 infant and officiated at 6 Funerals.

CHRIST CHURCH, HURON.

REV. S. MARKS, RECTOR.

Owing to the changes which have taken place in my parish, I am not able to give a very encouraging report. Emigration has materially thinned the number of my hearers. Since my last report, I have Married 2 couples; Buried 16 persons—Baptized 4 adults and 6 infants—had confirmed by the Bishop, 4. The Sunday school is in a very good condition, Teachers 10, Children 40. The practice of preaching to the children, mentioned some time since, I continue, with good effect. In June of this year, I organized a Church in Milan, by the name of St. Luke's, Milan; have resumed a Sermon and service at 5 o'clock, P. M., during the summer, on Sunday, making three services a day, besides the ride of eight miles. I have at all the funerals I attended, preached, so that I may say, however my report may read, that I have not been "slothful in business." Throughout my ministry it has fallen to my lot to lay the foundation of our Church in every parish where I have settled, consequently I have had to meet the prejudices and oppositions the church is heir to. Instead of being allowed continually to preach the doctrines of the Cross, we are obliged to stop and prove that we are the church of Christ, and not the church of Rome. This is mentioned as an apology for my apparent want of success in the ministry. God is my record, that in sincerity and diligence, I serve him. I am willing under all discouragements, to lay the foundation, and have others build thereon—God grant that I may build "upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner-stone." Number of Communicants 21. Paid towards support of Episcopate \$14. Sunday Sept. 4th in St. Luke's, Milan, Baptized 2 children.

CHRIST CHURCH, LIVERPOOL.

REV. JOSEPH MAYO, RECTOR.

During the past year, the Sabbatical duties of this Parish have been performed with no other interruption than was caused by my own illness and that of a member of my family on two Sundays, and by three calls upon me from neighboring Churches without a minister. There have been 2 adult and 5 infant Baptisms, and 1 death. At the late visitation of the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese 7 persons were confirmed. The number of Communicants is above twenty, and our society upon the increase.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WOOSTER.

REV. ORREN MILLER.

Since the last Convention I have held divine service twice and generally thrice every Sunday excepting two. I have also preached 12 times in other parishes of the Diocese. Number of the congregation, Families 60, adults 200, children 100. Baptisms, adults 4, infants 4. Communicants added 10. Confirmations 11. Removed 2. Present number 39. The Church has been generally well filled with attentive hearers. I resigned the Rectorship of the Church on the 12th of June.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STEUBENVILLE.

REV. INTREPID MORSE, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 15, adults 2,—17. Communicants, removed 14, died 3, added 21,—112. Confirmations 16. Marriages 2. Funerals 13. Catechumens 40. Sunday school scholars, 60. Contributions, by Ladies' Working Society to Diocesan Missions \$94; by Communicants to General Domestic and Foreign Missions, \$42, towards the support of the Episcopate \$58, contingent expenses of Convention, \$10. Also a new and excellent toned bell weighing upwards of a thousand pounds has been procured by the vestry from the foundry at Cincinnati, in place of the former one which had been fractured.

Through Divine goodness the Church at S. has been kept open during the past year on Sundays and the principal holy days, as also on every Wednesday evening except two. In other places Mr. M. has performed divine service sixteen times, preached about a dozen sermons, and attended one funeral. 'May the word sown in weakness be raised in power.'

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MOUNT VERNON.

REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, RECTOR.

The undersigned entered upon the discharge of his duties as Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon, on the first Sunday in July, 1841. The present report therefore comprises a period of about 15 months. Since the commencement of that time, the parochial register exhibits the following statistics:—Baptisms, infants 11, adults 11, total 22. Confirmed 18. Communicants, added, from the congregation, 20, from other Episcopal parishes 10; total 30; removed 2, died 2—Present number 113. Burials 6. Marriages 7. Sunday school scholars about 50. Contributions to the support of the Episcopate fund \$56 50. to the Bible cause about \$50, to the Sunday school 11.

JOS. MUENSCHER.

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK.

REV. GEORGE DENISON, RECTOR.

Rev. George Denison Rector of Trinity Parish Newark reports, that having received an urgent invitation to return and assume again the rectorship of this parish, he resigned the rectorship of Grace Church, Lockport, West. N. Y., in Nov. last and removed to Newark, having been absent more than four years. Much of this time Trinity Parish was without a pastor, and one year served by an excellent brother whose health was such as to preclude the possibility of much of that out-door work so necessary to the upbuilding of a Church. At the time of his return the number of communicants was less than when he left four years previously. A few were, however, found resident and not recorded.

All of last winter a deep and general religious feeling was manifest, which resulted in much good. The statistics of the parish are now as follows:—Whole number of Communicants on record commencing Feb. 1, 1834, 125; died, removed, &c. since that time 48,—on record Nov. last (of whom 2 have since died) 46; recorded since (of whom I have died) 33; present number 77. Confirmed 14. Baptisms, infants, 21, adults 5,—26. Burials 7. Marriages 2.

This parish is in an united and happy state, and although it has suffered severely in the loss, by death, of three of its communicants in so short a time, it cheers us to know that they all died "in faith." Indeed the departure of one was unusually triumphant, as her faith was unusually clear.

*Journal of the Convention***ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.****REV. JAMES J. OXILL, RECTOR,**

Reports Baptisms, adults 6, children 4, total 10. Additions to the communion by Confirmation 14, loss of communicants by removal 14, present number 54. Marriages 3. Funerals 3. Sunday school scholars 35, teachers 6. Contributions, Diocesan Missions \$9, for the support of the Episcopate \$24. There have been also the following sums paid by the parish, to wit—for the erection of a pulpit and a vestry room \$97, for prayer books 7; occasional penny collections from Sunday school scholars 3; communion offerings 6,—sum total \$146.

Though the present is a day of small things with this parish, yet God in his goodness may cause a little company of faithful worshippers to become comparatively great.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOWER SANDUSKY.

In addition to my ordinary parochial duties at Norwalk, I have, by request, officiated occasionally at Lower Sandusky, where a parish has recently been organized by the name of St. Paul's Church, which bids fair, by the blessing of God, to make one of the most interesting and influential of our parishes.

REV. EDWARD W. PEET,

Reports to his Diocesan that his time since the last Convention has been spent almost entirely in New-York and Providence. In December and January he was employed in assisting the venerable Rector of St. George's in New-York city, Dr. Milner; since that his whole time and labor has been bestowed in the parish of Grace Church, Providence, R. I.

REV. ALANSON PHELPS.

Since the first of October last, I have been laboring in connection with Rev. A. Bronson at Boston. We trust the Lord has blessed our ministry among that people, by awakening and converting sinners, and strengthening and building up his children in the faith of the Gospel.

Besides preaching one half of the time in Bethel Church, I held regular services at a station in the S. E. part of the township, where we have had very encouraging congregations, and where I have officiated twenty times. I have preached also once at Ohio City, twice at Grafton, twice at Columbia, four times at Strongsville, three at Akron, eight at Cuyahoga Falls, and eleven at Franklin Mills.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, CLARK CO.**REV. WILLARD PRESBURY, MISSIONARY.**

Baptisms, Infants 4, adult 1. Burials 2, Marriage 1. Communicants, added 4, suspended 2, lost by removal 1, by death 1, present number 25. Sunday school teachers 8, scholars 45. Contributions for Domestic Missions \$11 25, for the support of the Episcopate \$7. A neat Church edifice is now in progress, 57 feet by 40, which will be inclosed this fall.

At the Yellow Springs, where I officiate every other Sunday, it was expected that before this a building would have been erected for the worship of God. But the property of the Springs having recently changed hands, the idea of building is for the present abandoned. The number of Communicants here is 6. Besides preaching, no other official acts have been here performed.

TRINITY CHURCH, LYME.

REV. EPHRAIM PUNDERSON, RECTOR.

Upon returning from the East last fall, services were resumed in Trinity Parish, Lyme. I have been most agreeably disappointed in finding no diminution of interest and engagement in the parish, from their having been long without any pastoral supervision. And it is much to be lamented that their means will not permit them at once to erect a building for their accommodation. It is with pleasure I record the donation of a tankard and two cups, for the communion, by the Parish in Chatham, Connecticut, out of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Savage, one of the founders in the Church at Chatham, by the hands of his daughter, the present Mrs. Amos Woodward, who, by a small contribution and her private munificence, has added a baptismal bowl and the complement of plates.

Of Communicants 2 have died, added 4, present number 17. Baptisms adults 4, infants 18,—22. There is a Sunday school attached to the parish—Number of scholars about 40, teachers 6. On every alternate Sunday the school is held two miles distant from our place of worship, when it is under the immediate care of a very excellent lady, who finds her chief delight in promoting the interests of the Church.

In January last my services were solicited at Bellevue, a small, but thriving village, four miles distant from Lyme, and lying on the great thoroughfare to the West. I have taken my residence here and give them every alternate Sunday. The attendance is respectable in point of number, and their attention and interest as much as can reasonably be looked for, in persons who have hitherto been wholly unacquainted with the Church, only a few of them having ever attended an Episcopal service.

REV. H. L. RICHARDS, DEACON.

Respectfully reports to the Bishop, that in consequence of the precarious state of his health he has not felt justified, since his ordination in April last, in assuming the labours and responsibilities of a parish. He has however endeavored to do what he could by occasional services rendered to his brethren in the ministry, and in places destitute of the stated means of grace. He has preached nearly every Sunday, officiating frequently in Worthington and occasionally in Granville, Columbus, Newark, Delaware and other places.

REV. JOHN SANDELS.

Reports that his time during the last year has been principally devoted to the duties of his professorship in Kenyon College. His clerical services have been rendered chiefly by preaching in his turn in the College chapel. Besides this he has preached occasionally in Mt. Vernon, Utica, Perry, Delaware, and some places in the neighborhood of Gambier. He has administered Baptism to two infants, and celebrated one Marriage.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ZANESVILLE.

REV. W. A. SMALLWOOD, RECTOR.

Baptisms, adult 1, children 9, total 10. Persons Confirmed 12. Marriages 8. Funerals 8. Communicants, lost by removal 22, by death 2, added by removal 5, by new communicants 10, present number 37. Contributions to Colonization about \$40, Missions \$50, Sunday School \$18, other benevolent objects \$25. Sunday school, number of scholars 100, teachers 14.

During the half of the last year, the Rector labored under serious indisposition, and for nearly the whole, the congregation suffered the inconvenience of worshipping in an upper room of the Court House. The first of these embarrassments has, in the merciful provi-

dence of our Heavenly Father, been removed, and the other, it is believed, will not continue longer than the present autumn, at the close of which, the beautiful gothic Church, now in a course of erection, will be fit for use.

At all times during the year, an interest in sacred things has been perceptible, though by no means so generally, nor with such fruits as were desirable. Just now the attention given to religion is greater than usual, and the prospect of a precious ingathering very favorable. In the female prayer meeting an increased engagedness is particularly manifest. The state of the parish is generally flourishing.

GRACE CHURCH, BERKSHIRE.

REV. GEORGE B. STURGES, RECTOR.

The Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire, reports 4 Baptisms, 2 infants and 2 adults. 40 Communicants, 4 added, 1 deceased. 8 Funerals. 75 Sabbath school scholars, and 10 teachers.

ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, MASSILLON.

REV. JOHN SWAN, RECTOR.

The Rector of this Parish reports for the past year, Communicants, added from the congregation 7, from other churches 3, total 10; removed 4, stricken off the list 2, present number 61. Baptisms, adults 4, infants 10, total 14. Confirmed 9. Marriages 4. Funerals 7.

During the past year our Sunday school under its present excellent and faithful Superintendent, has been much more flourishing than usual, Scholars 125. Teachers 18. Superintendent 1. Librarian 1.

The liberality of a few individuals has enabled us to make a renewed effort to complete our Church edifice. The work has been progressing for some time, and it is expected that in the course of two months the building will be ready for consecration.

Pecuniary contributions have been, to the support of the Episcopate \$40; Sunday school Library 40; Missions 40; total \$120.

CHRIST CHURCH, WARREN.

REV. CHARLES C. TOWNSEND, MISSIONARY,

Respectfully reports to the Bishop that he has labored in this parish since the last Convention;—during the week teaching a select school under favorable auspices, and on Sunday performing Divine service up to Feb. 27th, since which time he has performed service in this parish but one Sunday in two. The congregation has been steadily increasing, and during the year a few have been "added to the Church of such (we humbly trust) as shall be saved." This little vine of the Lord's planting meets with some peculiar obstacles to its growth, and it must necessarily be gradual. Four religious societies of different denominations have preoccupied the ground, and obtained a good footing, and the Campbellites especially, "have drawn away much people after them," and among the rest, in the absence of the Church, a few Episcopalians. Our services are well received and attended. We still meet in the Court House, with no definite prospect, at present, of having a church. Indeed, with the aid of an appropriation of \$50, it is found difficult to sustain services one half of the time. Families, last report, 7, added 17, removed 2,—22. Communicants last report 5, added 15, removed 7,—13. Baptisms, adults 3, infants 8—11. Burials, adult 1, infant 1—2. Sunday school teachers, male 3, female 5—8; scholars, male 12, female 20—32. Collections, Communicants' alms \$4 86½, Bibles \$5 68, Sunday school books \$10 Episcopate fund \$10, Salary \$100, Present \$30,—\$160 54½.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEWTON FALLS.

REV. C. C. TOWNSEND, RECTOR.

Further reports to the Bishop that on Feb. 27th last, he visited an handful of Episcopalians at Newton Falls in Trumbull Co., 10 miles west from Warren, and performed divine service for the first time in that place. He found three communicants. An effort was made for regular services one half of the time, and a salary promptly raised, and as promptly paid. A parish was organized on March 14th, under the above name, on a basis which, we trust, by God's blessing, will ensure its permanency and prosperity. Thus far it has received the zealous co-operation of some who love Zion. Its growth and prosperity will appear in the statistics. Our congregation has steadily increased, and much more, since the organization of a Sunday school. The exercises of the Sunday school, as also an adult Bible class are kept up on the alternate Sundays by the Senior Warden. The Communion has been regularly administered once in four weeks. The following are the statistics of the Parish.

Families 2, added 11—13. Communicants 3, added 6—9. Burial, 1 child. Sunday school Teachers, male 6, female 8—14; Scholars, male 50, female 62—112. Collections, Communicants' alms, \$4 84. Bishop's fund, 7 00. S. S. Books, 30 00.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PAINESVILLE.

REV. ALEXANDER VARIAN, RECTOR.

The Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville, reports that since the last Convention he has Baptized 5 adults and 7 children, total 12. Communicants, added by profession 14, received by immigration 9, lost by death 1, by emigration 2, present number 53. Marriages, 4. Funerals, 5 children and 5 adults,—10. Missionary labors, service and preaching 33 times at different places in the surrounding country. within a circuit of 35 miles radius.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, JEFFERSON CO.

REV. ABRAHAM WHEELER, RECTOR.

During the year past, I have labored one half of the time in Springfield and vicinity.—The Church is in peace and harmony. The Bible class and Sabbath school containing about 40, are in a pleasing state, and appear more and more to engage the attention of old and young. Sabbath school library 121 volumes. Communicants, added 5, died 1. Baptized, adults 2, children 15,—17. Marriage 1. Confirmed 6. Present number 38. For Missions \$9, for Episcopate 5. The other half of my time has been devoted to Missionary labors, in Carrollton and other places. In Carrollton has been erected a cottage building for the Church, 22 feet by 30, soon to be plastered, and then it will be completed, all except seat, and the pulpit. We have had Divine worship, and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered in it, the summer past. We cherish the hope that a nucleus is laid in Carroll county for the Church; but the removal of some, and the pressure of the times, much dishearten the friends of the Church at present. We have reason, however, "to thank God and take courage."

REV. M. T. C. WING,

Reports to the Bishop that he has had no parochial charge during the past year, and besides preaching in his turn in the College Chapel, and giving instruction in his department in the Theological Seminary has performed only a few occasional services in the way of assisting the neighboring clergy and supplying destitute parishes in the vicinity.

REPORT OF THE TREAS'R. OF THE MISS. & EDUCATION COMMIT

M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer, in Acct. with the Education Fund of the Diocese of Ohio.

1841.	DR.	
September	To balance on hand this date,	\$
	“ Collected at Convention,	
Nov,	Ladies' Missionary Society, Columbus,	
	Cutler Scholarship, Boston,	
	Ladies' Missionary Society, Trinity Church, Columbus,	
	From Theological Seminary, paid loan,	
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	Grace Church, Sandusky,	
	Ladies' Sewing Society, St. Paul's, Steubenville.	
	Central Convocation collected at Granville,	
		\$

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By Cash paid to Beneficiaries, by order of Committee,	\$368 25
Balance to new acct.	7 24
	\$

Sept. 1, 1842. M. T. C. WING, Treas

M. T. C. Wing, Tr., in Acct. with the Missionary Fund of the Diocese of Ohio.

1841:	DR.	
September	To balance on hand,	\$3
	Received from St. Timothy's, Massillon,	
	“ St. Mark's, Mill-Creek,	
	“ St. James', Zanesville,	
	“ H. P. Smythe, Utica,	
	“ St. James', Painesville,	
	“ St. John's, Springfield,	

September.	Received from Collected at Convention, $\frac{1}{2}$	93 61 $\frac{1}{2}$
"	Collected at Christ Ch., Cincinnati, S. W. Convo.	99 00
"	St. James', Cross Creek,	40 03 $\frac{1}{2}$
"	St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,	8 73 $\frac{1}{2}$
November.	St. John's, Cuyahoga,	13 00
"	William Jay, New-York,	\$50 00
"	Do prem. on his draft,	5 00
"	S. W. Convocation paid Mr. Payne,	25 00
"	H. T. Woodward, Brunswick,	5 00
"	Ladies' Sewing Society, St. Paul's Steubenville, $\frac{1}{2}$	47 00
"	Ladies' Missionary Society, Worthington,	14 18
"	Theological Seminary, paid on loan,	85 00
"	Bethel Church, Boston,	5 00
"	St. James', Painesville,	10 00
"	Ladies' Missionary Society, Columbus,	27 50
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		\$ 897 36 $\frac{1}{2}$

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September.	By paid Rev. J. L. Bryan,	14 00
"	" A. Wheeler,	10 00
"	" J. Henshaw,	4 00
"	Loaned to Theological Seminary,	206 00
"	Rev. R. Gray,	133 77
"	" C. C. Townsend,	55 30
"	" H. Payne,	124 00
"	" Mr. Cushman,	65 00
"	" Mr. Henshaw,	15 00
"	" Mr. Helfenstein,	75 75
"	" O. Miller,	20 00
"	" L. N. Freeman,	60 00
"	Discount and loss on uncurrent funds,	69 50
"	Postages,	56 $\frac{1}{2}$
Balance on hand,		54 48
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		\$ 897 36 $\frac{1}{2}$

Sept. 1842.

M. T. C. WING, *Treasurer.*

I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Com.
mittee and find them correct.

A. BLAKE, *Com.*

SALARY OF EPISCOPATE.

Geo. Browning, Tr. in Acct. with Episcopate Fund, for the ye
ending September, 1, 1842.

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To Cash received since the Convention of 1841 to this date inclusive, viz:—

From St. Philip's, Circleville, \$7 50, St. James' Painesville 3 00,	}	\$10
St. Paul's, Maumee, received by the Bishop May 1840, (omitted)		10
[Balances of Assessment for Deficit of Salary prior to 1840.]		
St. John's, Dover, balance due on old deficit		6
Grace Church, Sandusky, contributed for salary of last year		15
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, do do do		4
St. Paul's, Maumee do do do		2

On Salary of current year:—

St. Paul's, Steubenville, \$35 and 23,	54
Christ Church, Franklin, \$5, bill 10 per cent discount	4
Christ Church, Cincinnati.. ..	15
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	10
St. Paul's, Akron	1
St. Peter's, Ashtabula, \$30 and 44	7
St. James', Zanesville, 30 and 30	6
All-Saints', Portsmouth,	4
Christ Church, Liverpool,	1
Trinity, Cleveland, \$30 and 60	9
St. Timothy's, Massillon, \$22 50 and 17 50	4
St. James', Cross-Creek,	1
Christ Church, Dayton, \$20 37 and 19 63,	4
St. James', Painesville, \$11 and 4 58,	1
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	2
St. John's, Huron,	1
Grace Church, Sandusky,	2
Trinity, Lyme,	
St. Philip's, Circleville,	5
St. Paul's, Mount Vernon,	5
Christ Ch., Cincinnati, especially appropriated by individuals in the monthly collection, to the Bishop, independent of the Episcopal fund, and by him expended in repairs upon the Episcopal residence,	3
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, \$28 00—to the Bishop 2, 00.....	3
Sept. 8 & 9, 1832.	
From Trinity Church, Columbus,	4
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	5
St. James', Boardman,	
St. Mark's, Mill Creek, H	1
St. Matthew's, Perry, H. N.	1
St. John's, Worthington,	1

From St. James', Piqua,	19 50
Do do per Col. Johnson.	10 00
St. Paul's, Medina,	25 00
St. Peter's, Delaware,	22 00
Grace Church, Berkshire,	10 00
St. Luke's, Granville,	12 00
Trinity, Newark,	30 00
St. John's, Ohio City,	23 00
St. Paul's, Maumee,	10 00
Bethel, Boston,	4 00
Christ Church, Springfield,	5 00
St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co.	5 00
St. Luke's, Columbia,	5 00
St. Matthew's, Plymouth,	5 00
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,	7 00
Christ Church, Warren,	10 00
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	40 00
St. James', Painesville, credited to said parish for the year ending Septem- ber 1, 1843,	2 00
Christ Church, Springfield, Clark Co., per E. H. Cuming, Esq., assessment upon said parish for deficit of 1842,	10 00
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\$1389 89	

CONTRA. CR.

By Cash paid Bishop McIlvaine at various dates since Sept. 11, 1841 on the Salary of Episcopate. See receipts of August 31st, 1842, \$778 69	
By Cash from Christ Church, Cincinnati, from monthly collections, es- pecially appropriated by the contributors to the Bishop's use for repairs upon the Episcopal residence, per receipt 31st August,	33 00
By Cash to balance, received at Convention,	578 20
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\$1389 89	

MT. VERNON, Sept. 9, 1842.

It will be seen by reference to the Canon for the support of the Episcopate, that the salary was expected to be paid semi-annually. At the close of the last year, as per report, there was due to the Bishop a balance of \$424 51, which was not wholly paid within the next succeeding half year, so that the first dollar was not received on the current year until after that period, and only \$352 18 up to the time of the assembling of this Convention, thus very far falling short of the requisition of the Canon. Annexed will be found a general statement, showing the aggregate balance due the Bishop from all sources.

GENERAL STATEMENT.

Balance due the Episcopate at the last Convention as per Report, viz:—balance on the old Deficit Account,	\$ 182 01
" on the salary of the then current year, 1841,	242 50
Salary of the year ending Sept. 1, 1842, \$2000, less \$500 voluntarily relin- quished by the Bishop for the current year. (See Journal page 21),	1500 00
Charge for expenses attending General Convention 1841,	30 00
Paid for pump for the Episcopal residence. (See Journal page 56)	17 50
Incidental expenses of Episcopate, postages, &c.	29 50
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\$ 2001 51	

CONTRA.

Cash paid the Bishop on Episcopate Salary, per receipts,	\$ 778 69
Do do from Christ Church, Cincinnati, especially appropriated, &c.	33 00
Do do on account of expenses to General Convention,	12 00
Do do on account of incidental expenses, postages &c.	29 50
Cash on hand for Salary of Episcopate,	568 20
Cash from E. H. Cuming Esq. on deficit of 1842,	10 00
	<hr/> \$ 1431 39
Total balance due the Bishop,	<hr/> \$ 570 12

GEORGE BROWNING, Treasurer-

CONTINGENT FUND.

Geo. Browning, Tr. in Acct. with the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio.

1841	DR.	
Sept. 11,	To Cash in Treasury this date as per Report at last Convention,	\$ 37 30
	To Cash from St. Paul's. Cincinnati, balance of Assessment for 1839-40,	3 50
	Trinity. Cleveland, " 1841-42,	20 00
	St. James', Zanesville, " "	12 00
	St. Paul's, Steubenville, " "	10 00
1841	Christ Ch., Warren, " "	1 00
Jan. 3.	From St. Paul's Cincinnati, " 1840-41 & 1841-42,	50 00
	St. Peter's, Ashtabula, " 1841-42,	12 00
	St. John's, Lancaster, " 1839-40,	1 30
Sept. 8th & 9th,	Trinity, Columbus, " 1841-42,	20 00
	St. Paul's, Chillicothe, " "	12 00
	St. Mark's, Mill Creek, \$1 for 1840-41, and 2 for " "	3 00
	St. Matthew's, Perry, " "	2 00
	St. John's, Worthington, " "	5 00
	St. James', Piqua, " 1840-41 & 1841-42,	16 00
	St. Paul's, Medina, " "	7 00
	Grace Ch., Berkshire, " "	3 00
	St. Luke's, Granville, in part, " "	7 00
	Trinity, Newark, " "	8 00
	Trinity, Cleveland, " 1842-43,	20 00
	St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, " 1841-42,	7 00
	St. Michael's, Unionville, " 1840-41 & 1841-42,	4 00
	St. Timothy's, Massillon, " "	6 00

Christ Ch., Liverpool, Medina Co.,	" 1840-41 & 1841-42,	2 00
St. James', Painesville,	" "	12 00
St. Paul's, Akron,	" "	3 00
Christ Church, Springfield,	" "	2 00
Grace, Sandusky,	" 1840-41 & 1841-42,	4 00
St. Matthew's, Plymouth.	" " "	2 00
St. James', Boardman,	" in part, "	3 00
St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson,	" in part, "	2 00

\$297 10

SUPRA. CR.

1841.

Sept. 11.	By Cash Western Church Press for notices of Convention and paper, per receipt,	\$ 7 50
	Paid Rev. Mr. Bury on expenses to General Convention, per receipt,	20 00
	Paid postage on double letter from Cuyahoga,	25
Oct. 5.	Sent to General Convention to pay requisition on this	
1842.	Diocese for contingent expenses, per voucher,	45 38
Jan'y. 3.	Paid stationary & postage on letter from Cincinnati,	25
	" H. V. D. Johns on expenses to General Convention, per voucher,	50 00
8.	Paid order of Bishop McIlvaine, incidental expenses, postage,	4 50
March	Paid Bishop McIlvaine on expenses to General Convention	12 00
Sept. 1.	Paid postages per receipt for letters to Treasurer,	2 42
	Paid for 4 quires paper and printing Treasurer's circular, per receipt.	3 50
8.	Paid order of Bishop McIlvaine incidental expenses (postages)	25 00
	Paid Rev. Mr. Bury on expenses to Gen. Convention,	20 00
	By Cash on hand to balance,	106 30
		\$297 10

LIABILITIES OF CONVENTION.

For Printing and binding last Journal,	\$116 50
Rev. Mr. Burr's Acct. of expenses attending General Convention,	85 50
Balance Rev. Mr. Johns' Acct. do do do	29 50
Balance Bishop McIlvaine's Acct. do do do	18 00
Balance Rev. Mr. Bury's Acct. do do do	10 00
\$259 50	
Amount on hand to meet the above,	106 30
\$153 20	
In arrears for Contingent Expenses	\$153 20

GEORGE BROWNING. Treasurer,

Gambier, Sept. 9th, 1842.

The above Accounts of the Treasurer of the Convention have been examined and are correct.
C. DELANO, Auditor.

LIST OF PARISHES,

Showing which parishes have not contributed to the Episcopate & Contingent Funds for the last two years, with the amount due on the latter; and also the assessment for the current year.

<i>Names of Parishes.</i>	<i>Assessment for the year ending Sept. 1st. 1841.</i>	<i>Assessment for the year ending Sept. 1st. 1842.</i>	<i>Assessment for the year ending Sept. 1st. 1843.</i>
Trinity Ch. Columbus,	16 00		20 00
St. James', Zanesville,			12 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,			12 00
St. Peter's, Ashtabula, * †			10 00
St. James', Boardman, *	6 00	balance 2 00	5 00
Christ Ch., Windsor, * †	1 00		
All Saints', Portsmouth,	7 00		8 00
St. Thomas', St. Clairsville, * †	2 00	2 00	1 00
St. Mark's, Mill-Creek, *	bal. 1 00		2 00
St. Matthew's, Peery, *	2 00		1 00
Christ Ch. Cincinnati,		25 00	25 00
St. Paul's, " †			25 00
Grace, " †		5 00	5 00
St. John's, Worthington,	bal. 2 00		5 00
St. James' Piqua,			8 00
St. Paul's, Steubenville,			10 00
St. James', Cross-Creek, *	7 00	7 00	6 00
St. Paul's, Medina,			7 00
St. Peter's, Delaware, †		9 00	9 00
Grace, Berkshire,			3 00
St. Stephen's, Grafton, * †	2 00	3 00	3 00
St. Matthew's, Hamilton, *	5 00	5 00	3 00
St. Phillip's, Circleville,	7 00	7 00	8 00
Trinity, Troy, * † †	3 00	3 00	3 00
St. Luke's, Granville,			8 00
Trinity, Newark,			8 00
St. Luke's, Marietta, †		7 00	5 00
Trinity, Cleveland,			20 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk, *	7 00	7 00	7 00
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	9 00	10 00	9 00
Christ Ch., Dayton,	13 00	12 00	10 00
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,			7 00
St. James', Batavia, * †	1 00		
Harcourt, Gambier,	6 00	6 00	6 00
St. James', Hanover, * †			
St. Michael's, Unionville,			2 00
St. John's, Ohio City,		10 00	10 00
St. Timothy's, Massillon,			6 00
St. John's, Lancaster, * †			2 00
St. Paul's, Utica, * † †		2 00	1 00
Trinity, Lyme, *	1 00	1 00	
Christ Ch., Liverpool. Medina Co..			1 00
St. James', Painesville,			7 00

<i>Names of Parishes.</i>	<i>Assessment for the year ending Sept. 1st. 1841.</i>	<i>Assessment for the year ending Sept. 1st. 1842.</i>	<i>Assessment for the year ending Sept. 1st. 1843.</i>
St. Andrew's, Elyria, †	1 00	2 00	1 00
Trinity, Jefferson, * †	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. Paul's, Greenville, * †	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. John's, Wakeman, †	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. Stephen's, East Liverpool, * †		1 00	1 00
St. Paul's, Maumee City,	1 00	2 00	1 00
Trinity, Toledo, * †		2 00	1 00
Bethel, Boston,	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. Philip's, Strongsville,	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. John's, Dover, * †	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. Paul's, Akron,			3 00
Christ Ch., Springfield,			3 00
St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co.,		bal. 1 00	2 00
St. Luke's, Columbia, †	1 00	1 00	1 00
Grace, Sandusky,			3 00
Christ Ch., Huron, * †		2 00	2 00
St. Matthew's, Madison, Musk. Co., †	1 00	2 00	2 00
St. Peter's, Rome, * †	1 00	1 00	1 00
Christ Ch., Franklin, Portage Co., * †	2 00	2 00	1 00
St. Alban's, Deersville, * †			
Christ Ch., Warren, *			2 00
St. Matthew's, Plymouth,			1 00
Zion, Dresden, †		2 00	1 00
St. James', Wooster,		3 00	3 00
St. Mark's, Sydney, * †		1 00	1 00
Zion, Carralton, †			1 00
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,			2 00
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	\$107 00	\$156 00	
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Total arrears on Contingent funds for two last years, \$263 00

GEORGE BROWNING. *Treasurer,*

Mt. Vernon, Sept. 9th, 1842.

* Parishes which have not contributed to the Support of the Episcopate for the year ending Sept. 1, 1841.

† Parishes which have not contributed to the Support of the Episcopate for the year ending Sept. 1, 1842.

‡ Parishes which have not paid up all their assessment for the deficit of the Episcopate fund for the year ending Sept. 1, 1840.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FINANCIAL STATE OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND COLLEGE.

The undersigned, a Committee appointed on the part of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary to furnish the information, requested by vote of the late Convention, have prepared the following statement, as nearly accurate as under the circumstances they were able to make it.

1. *Real Estate.*—The tract of land, originally owned by the Institution, contained 8000 acres in two contiguous sections, and was purchased on very favorable terms of Mr. Wm. Hogg of Brownsville, for the sum of \$18,000. One section of this, lying more remote from the Institution, has been sold, producing the sum of \$22,500. The remaining four thousand acres, (nearly in the centre of which the buildings of the Institution, and the village of Gambier are placed) comprise about 1200 acres of bottom land, mostly under improvement,—the balance is upland, and chiefly in wood. The whole tract, judging from the price of land in the vicinity, may be estimated to be worth from \$20 to \$25 per acre, or \$90,000.

The buildings erected by Bishop Chase, and improvements made by him, cost, according to his estimate, upwards of \$30,000. But many of the buildings having been temporary, their present value does not probably exceed \$20,000.

The cost of buildings erected since, has been upwards of \$57,000. The principal of which are Bexley Hall now in progress, and built with funds collected in England for that special object—cost about \$11,000; Milnor Hall about \$7,000; two wings to the College about \$8000; Rosse Chapel, unfinished, about \$6000; Bishop's House, exclusive of amount received from the Diocese, \$5,700; and eight dwelling houses for Professors at an average cost of about \$1600 each.—Add to these, two store-houses costing about \$1000 each, and twelve dwelling-houses and shops, from \$200 to 5 or \$600 each. Estimating these to be worth nearly their original cost, the present value of buildings will be at least \$75,000,—and the total value of real estate \$165,000.

2. *Personal Property* includes the items of furniture, stoves, &c. in the College and Milnor Hall—farming implements, stock, stage coach, horses, &c. and must be valued at upwards of \$4000. The libraries of the Institution, comprising upwards of 4000 vols. with the chemical and philosophical apparatus, the bell, organ, &c. make an additional value of at least \$5000. So that the present total value of real and personal estate belonging to the Institution may be fairly estimated at the sum of \$174,000.

3. *View of Donations and Receipts from other than ordinary sources.*—Bishop Chase collected in the way of donations as nearly as can now be ascertained, \$49,000
Bishop McIlvaine's collections in England and America, 44,900
Realized from Dr. Sparrow's collections in Ohio, 5,200
Proceeds of North Section lands (as above) 22,500

\$ 121,600

4. *Liabilities.* The total amount of the present liabilities of the Institution according to the late Treasurer's report is \$38,502.96

And consists of the following general items, viz:

(1) Loan from the late Samuel Ward of N. Y., for the sum of \$15,000, and due January 1, 1844.	\$15,000,00
Unpaid interest on the same to July 1st 1842,	2,175,00
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	\$17,175,00
(2) Bills payable mostly on demand, and of which the amount of \$4,895 have been recently put in suit,	14,444,96
(3) Balances on Ledger of unsettled accounts subject to correction by settlements,	6,883,00, \$38,502,96

5. Assets to meet the above are the following, viz:

(1) Bills receivable on demand \$1,850, less \$850 bad,	1,000
(2) Bills receivable at 6 months (proceeds of stock sale)	1,069
(3) Balances on Ledger unsettled accounts,	6,499,18 \$8,568,18
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Balance of debits,	\$29,934,78

From the difficulty of collection, the above assets will not probably be available to meet more than half their nominal amount on the present liabilities of the Institution, so that the present indebtedness of the Institution, for which means will have to be provided the coming year, is about \$35,000.

The nett annual income from the property of the Institution cannot be accurately ascertained, for the reason that most of the rents are paid in produce, and with much irregularity, the price of which is constantly changing,—that there are frequent failures on the part of tenants to meet their engagements; and the income of one year is mixed up in various ways with that of another. Besides, the labor employed by the Institution is so diversified, being partly for repairs of fences, partly for improvements in clearing, &c., and partly in raising and securing crops, feeding stock, furnishing lumber, &c. &c., that no just distribution of the expense can be made. The Committee are satisfied, however, from a careful examination, that the income of the property is not sufficient to pay the interest of the debt.

All which is respectfully submitted,

M. T. C. WING, }
M. WHITE, } Committee.

CONSTITUTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second Thursday after the first Wednesday, in September, of every year, unless otherwise provided by a preceding Convention, and at such place as shall, in like manner be provided. But if the place should not be appointed by the preceding Convention, it shall be determined by the Bishop of the Diocese; or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided that in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

ARTICLE III.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop and every Minister of this Diocese, canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a Missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the same—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry shall be members of this Convention, provided they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized Church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. The delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process, shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop shall have power to call special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a special Convention, and shall do so if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen who shall remain in office until the next annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of, the Convention; to attest its public acts—preserve its records—notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative, and belonging to, the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the Clergy and Laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve till others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each annual Convention and shall consist of three clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the 4th Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings, a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of this Committee to keep a faithful record of all proceedings in a book provided for that purpose; to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the Committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books

and papers which in virtue of his office may have been committed to him. The minutes of the Committee and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the Committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE IX.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an annual Convention; or in a special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed; the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows:—The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made, shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE X.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention, shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by orders is called for by five members. In such a case, the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two orders respectively shall decide.

ARTICLE XI.

The mode of Altering this Constitution shall be as follows:—A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention, in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds, of the two orders voting separately, the change shall take place; and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

C A N O N S
E PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE
DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CANON I.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.

. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be found to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Article XXVII. of the General Convention, he is liable to be tried; an application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one concurring in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee; and when they shall hear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the Clergyman to the Bishop, according to the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of the place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this diocese shall be at liberty to request of the Standing Committee the inquiry to be made in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

. Presentment being made; the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused; and shall also nominate three Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment shall be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five and notify their names in writing to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. If he do not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board of Trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese) as they shall think necessary.

1. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who, if they be present, or their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for that purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or written evidence to substantiate the accusation, as they may be able to obtain.

2. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole Board be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to

time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

Sec. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

Sec. 6. In case a Clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they should see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months, the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the facts alledged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

Sec. 7. At their first meeting, the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they may determine, and before proceeding to trial, they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

Sec. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer, authorized by law to administer oaths, may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

Sec. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial; the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a Commissioner to take the testimony of such witness; and the party applying as above, shall give to the other party at least *five days* notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served, reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be

certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such Commissioner, may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

Sec. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board, as to what sentence should be pronounced—whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused, in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

Sec. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision made by the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

Sec. 1. In every Church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these Vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens,—one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish—who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings—attest the public acts of the Vestry—preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish—perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

Sec. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the article of parochial Association; and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more

persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the Church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

Sec. 3. No person shall be elected a vestryman who is not a pew holder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

Sec. 4. If any Vestryman shall be guilty of scandalous or immoral conduct, or shall be notoriously immoral in his general character, it shall be the duty of the Minister, or in case there shall be no Minister, of the senior Warden, to present him to the Vestry, who shall have power, on being satisfied of his guilt, to expel him, provided always that at least two thirds concur in such expulsion, and that the person expelled shall have a right to appeal to the Bishop.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and in general to act as helpers to the Minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the Gospel; it being understood always that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the Minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the Alms at the administration of the same; to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a Minister—and while the Church is destitute of a Minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading as circumstances may permit.

Meetings of the vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden, and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry, And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their articles of association or by-laws.)

CANON III.

OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a church or congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vstry submit to the Convention, their articles of association; or, if incorporated, their charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such church or congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitu-

tion and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate—from a majority of the Standing Committee, that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DELEGATES.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the Communicants of the Church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows—viz:

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of
Church held on the day of
A. B. who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was
appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in the Convention
of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be
holden on the day in the year of our Lord
Signed

Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of incorporation, or association.

CANON V.

A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE DIOCESE.

Sec. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a list of all ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or Stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in Parishes or Missions, or institutions of learning as above—their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons—but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal, and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Sec. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself; whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VI.**OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.**

Sec. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him: or, in his parish by any other Episcopal minister: specifying the names, and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the Minister, in a book, kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

Sec. 2. In addition to the Register above named, the Minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the Communicants and of Families within his cure---specifying the time when the former became communicants of the church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other church or otherwise.

Sec. 3. Every Minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop---or if there be no Bishop---to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, marriages, funerals, and persons confirmed within his cure since the last Convention, and also of the number of communicants, specifying the removals and deaths, also the additions to the communion, and whether the last have been by removal from the communion of other churches or otherwise, since the last Convention---and also of the number of pupils and teachers connected with Sunday-school instruction in the parish---and of the number of persons connected with Bible-class instruction, and of any Missionary or other benevolent societies, and of all contributions for benevolent objects, by subscription or public collections. together with a concise statement of whatever other matters of fact may be important in showing the state of the parish.

CANON VII.**OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.**

Whenever a Parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON VIII.**OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the 7th Article of the Constitution. four clergymen out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four Laymen who shall be in good standing as communicants in some

church in union with the Diocese, to act as Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention--which Deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies-elect, to signify to the Bishop on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not, to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay-deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese, and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of deputies-elect above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON IX.

OF LAY READERS.

None shall be considered as authorised to officiate as a Lay-reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop: or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and lay-readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention.

CANON X.

OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in the 51st Canon of the General Convention, a Committee of the Convention of this Diocese, shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XI.

OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

Sec. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the 6th article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the Minister, or in case there be no Minister, to the Wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a Parochial Report—and a form by which to certify the appointment of Lay-deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secre-

tary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese—as well as of any Charge or Pastoral Letter recently published—and to the General Convention, a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay-deputies.

CANON XII.

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

Sec. 1. At every stated Convention, there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all monies collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a Committee of the same.

Sec. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIII.

OF MISSIONS, AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.

Sec. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution; and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the Missionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the gospel in the same work—it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church, that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister in this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction. I Cor. xvi. 1.

Sec. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a Committee consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—4 clerical, 4 lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to which shall be committed the appointment and regulation of Beneficiaries, the appointing of Missionaries, and Missionary Stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

Sec. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the Missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

Sec. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee, when he is present—if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

Sec. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the 1st day, of the annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such

other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment.—Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

Sec. 7. No Beneficiary or Missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the same, which consent shall be entered on the Minutes.

Sec. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated—which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

Sec. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention, may be supplied by the Committee. No monies shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XIV.

FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

Sec. 1. Every minister shall on or about the fifteenth of April of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant, whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. On or about the fifteen day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every house-holder or pew-holder, who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 3. Out of the sums so received, the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum. The sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XV.

OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

Any communicant, who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the Rector, may be suspended from the communion.

CANON XVI.

OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention,

shall be applied to the following objects. 1. To defray the travelling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the journals of the Convention and such other documents as may be ordered by Convention. 5. To defray the travelling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding \$50 to each delegate. 6. To pay the travelling expenses of presbyters attending Ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVII.

OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO.

No proposition to alter, or add to, the Canons of the Diocese, shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a Committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XVIII.

REPEALING OF FORMER CANONS.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, AS AMENDED IN 1839-40.

ARTICLE I.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby establish a Seminary for the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in said Church; such Seminary to be founded upon Donations made and to be made, in the united Kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and in America, for that purpose, and to be known by the name of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

ARTICLE II.

The said Seminary shall be established by the Convention of the Diocese, at such place within the same as shall be consistent with the deed of donation, executed by the Bishop of Ohio, in England, on the 27th day of November, 1823; and when once established, shall for ever after remain in the same place.

ARTICLE III.

The direction and management of said Seminary shall be vested in a board of Trustees, which shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, and of four clerical and four lay Trustees, to be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese, and to remain in office for the term of three years, and until their successors are chosen, provided that no officer of the Seminary or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, shall be eligible to said board.—This article, so far as it respects the number of clerical and lay Trustees, may from time to time be amended by a concurring resolution of the Convention, and of the board of Trustees of the Seminary, so as to increase the number of clerical and lay Trustees, until the number of each may be twelve; which number shall thereafter constitute the permanent board of clerical and lay Trustees.

ARTICLE IV.

A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business. The Bishop, if present, shall preside. In his absence, a President pro tem. shall be appointed by ballot; whose office shall expire with the final adjournment of the meeting of the board at which the appointment was made. If any vacancy shall happen in the Board of Trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the Convention that may meet next thereafter.

ARTICLE V.

The Seminary shall be under the immediate charge and superintendence of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as President of the Institution, and during the recess of the board the Bishop shall be the Prudential Committee in all secular matters of the institution.

ARTICLE VI.

The board of Trustees shall have power to constitute professorships, and to appoint and remove the professors, and to prescribe the course of study, and to make all rules, regulations and statutes which may be necessary for the government of the Seminary, and to secure its prosperity: provided, that all such rules, regulations, statutes, or other proceedings, shall for ever be in conformity "to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and to the course of study prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops of the said Church."

ARTICLE VII.

If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall by resolution, entered in their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute or other proceeding of the board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution, and canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall individually, and any two or more of them, be visitants of the Seminary, to take care that the course of discipline, and instruction be conformable to the preceding provisions.— And it shall be lawful for any one of the Bishops aforesaid, at any time to institute in his own name and character of Bishop, any proper legal process to enforce and secure the administration of the Seminary according to the foundation herein prescribed.

ARTICLE IX.

The board of Trustees, as soon as the Convention of the Diocese shall so instruct them, shall annex to the Seminary, a College, with the necessary preparatory schools; subject, like the Seminary, to the provisions of the 7th and 8th Articles of the Constitution, which College shall have a separate President and Faculty, the Trustees having power to make all needful by-laws, and to appoint and remove all Professors and other officers, necessary to the government and prosperity of said College: provided that the President be appointed on the nomination of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that in case he shall not so nominate within two months after being requested so to do by the Board of Trustees, then they shall proceed to elect a Pre-

ident without such nomination.—provided also that his Episcopal supervision and authority be understood as embracing the spiritual interests of the College and its preparatory schools, and that the present property of the said Seminary, whatever use the Trustees may permit the College to make of any part thereof, shall always remain exclusively the property of the Seminary.

ARTICLE X.

The Board of Trustees shall meet at Gambier, annually, on the day preceding the Commencement. The President of the Board shall at any time, upon the application in writing of one member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Trustees, call a meeting of the Board to be held at such other time and place as he may appoint, not exceeding thirty days from the day on which the application shall be presented.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent vote of the Bishop, a majority of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and a majority of the Convention of the Diocese.

Provided, that no alteration or amendment whatever be made in this Constitution, whereby the funds of the Seminary, raised in England, be appropriated to any other use than the education and theological instruction of students, for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This proviso, however, does not preclude the lawfulness and constitutionality of annexing a College to the Seminary; and making provision so far as practicable, for the admission of other students, at their own expense, to the benefit of a College education.

ACT OF INCORPORATION

**OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO,**

Whereas John M'Corkle and Charles Hammond, a Committee appointed on behalf of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, have, by their petition to the General Assembly, represented that a Seminary for Theological education has been established by said Convention within this State, and in order to the more convenient management of the concerns of the said Seminary, and to the permanency of its establishment in this State, have prayed that the said Seminary may be Incorporated—Therefore,

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, 'That the Right Reverend Philander Chase, now Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, Roger Searle, Intrepid Morse, Ezra B. Kellogg, Samuel Johnston, Bezaleel Wells, William K. Bond, John Johnston, and Charles Hammond, the present Trustees of the said Seminary, and their successors appointed in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, as now established, be, and they are hereby constituted a body corporate and politic, in fact and in name, by the name of the "Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio;" and by that name shall have succession, and be capable in law of suing and being sued, defending and being defended in all courts and places, and in all manner of actions, causes and complaints whatsoever; and may have a common seal, and change the same at their discretion:—and by that name and style shall be capable in law and equity of taking and holding by devise and otherwise, or of purchasing, holding and enjoying to them and their successors, any real estate in fee simple or otherwise, any goods, chattels and personal estate, and of selling, leasing, mortgaging or otherwise disposing of said real and personal estate, or any part thereof, as they may think proper: *Provided*, 'That the clear annual income of such real and personal estate, exclusive of any lands or tenements that may be occupied by the said Seminary for its accommodation, or that of its officers or professors, shall not exceed the sum of twenty thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. That the present Trustees of said Seminary and their successors in office, under the Constitution thereof, as now established, or as the same may be hereafter altered or amended, shall have the care and management of said Seminary and of its estate and property, and shall have power from time to time, to sell or otherwise

dispose of its estate and property, and to apply the avails thereof and all other funds of said Seminary for its benefit and advantage, as they shall deem it expedient; and shall also have power, in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution of said Seminary, to make by-laws and ordinances for the appointment of professors and other officers of said Seminary, for regulating the duties and conduct of the professors, officers and students therein, for conducting its business and concerns, and generally for the good government of the same;—*Provided*, The same be not inconsistent with the Constitution and Laws of the United States, or of this State.

Sec. 3. That this act be, and is hereby declared a public act, and that the same be construed in all courts and other places, benignly and favorably for every beneficial purpose therein intended.

Sec. 4. That the General Assembly may at any time hereafter modify or repeal this act; but no such modification or repeal shall divert the real and personal estate of the Seminary to any other purpose than the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

M. T. WILLIAMS,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

ALLEN TRIMBLE,
Speaker of the Senate.
December 29, 1824.

‘An Act, further supplementary to an act, entitled “An Act to Incorporate the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

“Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio shall have power to establish in connection with said Seminary, a College, and Halls for preparatory education; that they shall have the care and management of all property, which has been or may hereafter be given, or is otherwise possessed for the use and benefit of the same; and to appoint a President and Professors, and all necessary officers for the purposes of government and instruction in said College and Halls.

“Sec. 2. The President and Professors of said College shall constitute a Faculty, with the power of conferring Degrees in the Arts and Sciences, and of performing all such other acts as pertain to the Faculties of Colleges for the encouragement and reward of learning: and the name and style by which the said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of “the President and Professors of Kenyon College in the State of Ohio.

“Sec. 3. The President and Professors of said Theological Seminary shall also constitute a Faculty with the power of conferring *Degrees in Theology*, and of doing all such other acts as appertain

to such faculties for the encouragement of theological learning: and the name and style by which said degrees shall be conferred shall be that of "the President and Professors of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese of Ohio."

JAS. J. FARAN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

WILLIAM HAWKINS,
Speaker of the Senate.

March 16, 1839.

ACT OF INCORPORATION

OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BISHOP'S FUND OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

"An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

"SEC. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Matthews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal, which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested, do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage: provided, that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

"SEC. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-moddled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful; provided, that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be, making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

"January 24th, 1821."

FORM FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name, and style and title of the Parish of _____ Church, in the Township of _____, County of _____ and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book, to be thereafter kept as a Parish Register: a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the Parish to the Bishop, which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of Association, the name of the Parish with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken, as soon as possible, to have the Parish Incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the Parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the diocese, to be admitted into union therewith, for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop, should be sent to the Convention, certified by the Clerk of the Parish.

CHANGES IN THE PRAYER BOOK AND CONSTITUTION.

Extract from the Journal of the last General Convention.

Proposed Alterations in the Prayer Book.

Resolved, 'That it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions, that it is proposed, at the next General Convention, to erase the words, "associated Rector," and also, the word "state," wherever they occur in former editions of the Institution Office. Vide Journal, p. 127.

Proposed Alteration in the Constitution.

Resolved, That it be made known to the several Diocesan Conventions that it is proposed, at the next General Convention, the following as a 10th Article of the Constitution, viz:

ART. 10. Bishops for foreign countries, on due application therefrom, may be consecrated, with the approbation of the Bishops of

this Church, or a majority of them, signified to the presiding Bishop; he, thereupon taking order for the same, and they, being satisfied that the person designated for the office has been duly chosen, and properly qualified. The Order of Consecration to be conformed, as nearly as may be, in the judgment of the Bishops, to the one used in this Church. Such Bishops, so consecrated, shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan, or Assistant Bishop, in any Diocese in the United States, nor be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor exercise any Episcopal authority in said States. Vide Journal, pp. 82, 135.

By Order of the House of Bishops.

ALEX. V. GRISWOLD, D. D. *Presiding Bishop.*

Attest,

J. M. WAINWRIGHT, D. D. *Secretary.*

By Order of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

WILLIAM E. WYATT, D. D. *President.*

Attest,

WM. COOPER MEAD, D. D. *Secretary.*

TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D. *President.*

Rev. William A. Smallwood,	William Key Bond,
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SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.—Rev. Jos. Muenscher, Mount Vernon.

ABSTRACT OF THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS.—SEPTEMBER, 1842.

Counties.	Towns.	Churches.	Ministers.	Baptisms.		Communicants.		Covers Members.	Marriages.	Burials.	% School % Scholars.	Missions- ry and other com- munications.
				Infants.	Adults.	Total.	Added.	Used or removed.				
Aurora	Aurora	St. Peter's	John Almi	9	1	10	4	7	0	3	0	0
	Plymouth	St. Matthew's	"	3	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	0
	Unionville	St. Michael's	"	2	1	3	9	6	0	3	0	0
	Hartgrove	St. Paul's	"	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	30	0
Belmont	Windsor	Christ	vacant	0	2	2	0	0	1	3	0	0
	Jefferson	Trinity	"	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	St. Clairville	St. Thomas'	Richard Gray	7	0	7	0	0	0	3	0	5 00
	Hamilton	St. Matthew's	vacant	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Butler	Springfield	Christ	Wilford Freshley	4	1	5	4	4	0	2	45	18 25
	Mt. Crack	St. Mark's	John Henshaw	11	0	11	8	3	0	0	0	10 00
	Perry Township	St. Matthew's	"	4	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	10 00
	Dover	St. John's	vacant	6	6	12	0	0	0	3	20	0
Cuyaboga	Ohio City	"	Arch. Galen	6	2	8	6	5	5	2	0	35 27
	Cleveland	Trinity	Richard Hury	30	6	36	43	38	13	22	120	279 83
	Berkshire	Grace	G. B. Sturge	2	2	4	4	1	0	8	75	0
	Delaware	St. Peter's	T. G. Cassaway	4	1	5	4	3	0	10	65	18 00
Delaware	Greenella	St. Paul's	vacant	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	Columbus	Trinity	Charles Fox	19	5	24	31	16	6	8	0	0
	Worthington	St. John's	R. B. Elder	12	1	13	5	9	8	5	65	15 87
	Centerville	St. James'	A. Edwards	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	30	0
Gauga	Panacea	Christ	Alexander Varian	7	5	12	23	3	4	10	0	0
	Huron	Grace	Samuel Marks	6	4	10	0	0	2	16	40	14 00
	Bandusky City	Trinity	B. H. Hockox	23	2	25	17	0	1	2	45	18 25
	Lynne	St. John's	E. Punderson	18	4	22	4	2	0	0	40	0
Huron	Wakeman	St. Paul's	vacant	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
	Norwalk	St. Paul's	J. J. Okill	4	6	10	14	14	3	3	35	34 00
	Dearsville	St. Alban's	Richard Gray	2	1	3	11	1	0	0	0	2 50
	Clackson	St. Paul's	W. V. D. Johns	23	3	26	25	24	7	18	100	600 00

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	¶ Not specified.	* No report.	† Number reported in 1841.	‡ Number reported in 1840.	§ Number reported in 1839.	Not specified.
¶ Baptisms during the last four years, but not before reported.						

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The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in Rosse Chapel, Harcourt Parish, Gambier, on the *first Wednesday of September*, A. D. 1843.

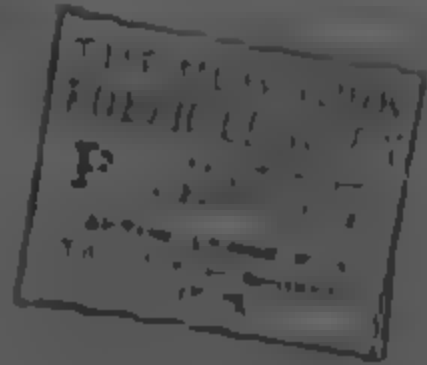
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NOTICE

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held at House Church, Harcourt Street, Canton, on the first Wednesday of September, A. D. 1843.

JOSEPH M. ENSCHER, Secretary.



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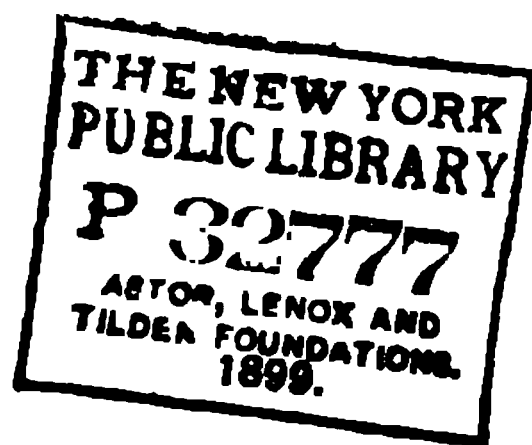
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LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

The Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Gambier.

The Rev. Ethan Allen, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, D. D., President of Woodward College, Cincinnati.

The Rev. Norman Badger, Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.

The Rev. Almon Barnes, Rector of Trinity Church, Troy.

The Rev. Alfred Blake, Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.

The Rev. James B. Britton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

The Rev. Abraham Bronson, Rector of Bethel Church, Boston.

The Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

The Rev. John T. Brooke, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. John L. Bryan, officiating in Windsor and Batavia.

The Rev. Erastus Burr, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

The Rev. William M. Burton, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

The Rev. Richard Bury, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. Anson Clarke, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

The Rev. G. S. Davis, Rector of St. Andrews' Church, Elyria.

The Rev. George Denison, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rev. A. F. Dobb, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

The Rev. Abraham Edwards, Rector of St. David's Church, Gallia County, and Missionary.

The Rev. Joshua T. Eaton, Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman.

The Rev. Robert S. Elder, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington.

The Rev. William Fagg, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Lower Sandusky.

The Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

The Rev. John Foster, Deacon, residing at Lebanon.

The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron, and Missionary.

List of the Clergy.

The Rev. William Granville, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. Richard Gray, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and Missionary.

The Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

The Rev. John Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The Rev. Albert Helfenstein, Sen., residing at St. Mary's.

The Rev. John Henshaw, Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek, and Missionary.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, Deacon.

The Rev. Richard S. Killin, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

The Rev. Joseph S. Large, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee City, and Missionary.

The Rev. Edward Lounsbery, Agent under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

The Rev. Albert T. McMurphy, Deacon.

The Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of Christ Church, Huron.

The Rev. Joseph Mayo, Rector of Christ Church, Liverpool.

The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. Joseph Muenschner, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

The Rev. Henry Payne.

The Rev. Alanson Phelps, Assistant minister of Bethel Church, Boston, and Missionary in Grafton.

The Rev. Willard Presbury, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield, and Missionary.

The Rev. Ephraim Punderson, Rector of Trinity Church, Lyme.

The Rev. Henry L. Richards, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

The Rev. John Sandels, Professor of the Latin and Greek Languages and Literature, in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. Alvah Sanford, Principal of the Granville Female Seminary.

The Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. J. Carpenter Smith, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster.

The Rev. George B. Sturges, Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire.

The Rev. John Swan, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

The Rev. David W. Tolford, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta, and Missionary.

The Rev. Charles C. Townsend.

The Rev. John Ufford.

The Rev. Alexander Varian, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.

The Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.

The Rev. Edward Winthrop, Rector of Trinity Church, Cincinnati.
Whole Number, 57.

LIST OF THE CLERGY

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop.

Rev. Ethan Allen,	Rev. John Henshaw,
“ Norman Badger,	“ Richard S. Killin,
“ Alfred Blake,	“ Joseph S. Large,
“ James B. Britton,	“ Samuel Marks,
“ Sherlock A. Bronson,	“ Intrepid Morse,
“ John T. Brooke, D. D.,	“ Joseph Muenschner,
“ John L. Bryan,	“ Alanson Phelps,
“ Erastus Burr,	“ Willard Presbury,
“ Richard Bury,	“ Ephraim Punderson,
“ Anson Clark,	“ Henry L. Richards,
“ A. F. Dobb,	“ John Sandels,
“ Abraham Edwards,	“ Alvah Sanford,
“ Joshua T. Eaton,	“ Wm. A. Smallwood,
“ Robert S. Elder,	“ George B. Sturges,
“ William Fagg,	“ John Swan,
“ Thomas B. Fairchild,	“ David W. Tolford,
“ Lyman N. Freeman,	“ Charles C. Townsend,
“ Richard Gray,	“ Alexander Varian,
“ Alvah Guion,	“ M. T. C. Wing,
	Total—39.

CLERGY OF THE DIOCESE

PRESENT AT CONVENTION BUT NOT MEMBERS THEREOF.

Rev. Levi L. Holden,
“ Albert T. McMurphy.

Rev. Edward Winthrop,

LIST OF THE LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

Harcourt Parish, Gambier, D. B. Douglass, N. W. Putnam.

St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, Jesse B. Thomas, M. W. Stamp, T. Rogers.

St. Luke's, Granville, A. P. Prichard.

Trinity Church, Newark, Virgil Hillyer.

St. Peter's, Delaware, Caleb Howard, Thomas Cox, Wil Houston.

St. Paul's, Medina, Isaac Bronson, Russell Thayer.

St. Paul's, Steubenville, John H. Viers.

St. Stephen's, Grafton, Wm. H. H. Potter, Geo. Van Deusen.

St. Luke's, Marietta, Frederick A. Wheeler.

St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, Frederick Wolcott.

St. James', Zanesville, Samuel Gates.

Grace Church, Sandusky City, Abner Root, Rice Harper.

Christ Church, Dayton, Henry P. Smythe,

St. Paul's, Akron, John Raymond.

St. Timothy's, Massillon, James L. Reynolds, Wm. H. Greeno Fabius C. Gray.

Trinity Church, Columbus, Joseph R. Swan.

Trinity Church, Cleveland, H. L. Noble.

All Saints', Portsmouth, Samuel S. Fuller.

St. James', Piqua, Adam Alexander, Demas Adams, Jun.

St. Paul's, Chillicothe, James S. McGinnis.

St. Matthew's, Perry, John Trimble.

St. Paul's, Norwalk, John Vredenburg.

Christ Church, Springfield, Clark, Co., E. H. Cumming.

St. Paul's, Cincinnati, William Andrews.

St. James', Painesville, David D. Aikin.

Christ Church, Cincinnati, William Key Bond.

Grace Church, Berkshire, David Prince.

St. John's Springfield, Jefferson Co., James Patten.

St. James', Wooster, J. C. James, Henry Lehman, William Ch

Total—42.

LIST OF PARISHES

CANONICALLY IN UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF
OHIO.

Christ Church, Cincinnati,
Grace Church, "
St. James', Boardman,
Grace Church, Berkshire,
Trinity Church, Newark,
St. Luke's, Granville,
St. James', Piqua,
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,
St. Paul's, Steubenville,
St. John's, Springfield,
St. Philip's, Circleville,
St. Stephen's, Grafton,
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,
St. Luke's, Marietta,
St. Paul's, Norwalk,
All Saints, Portsmouth,
St. Timothy's, Massillon,
St. Matthew's, Hamilton,
St. Paul's, Utica,
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,
St. Peter's, Rome,
Christ Church, Liverpool,
Trinity Church, Lyme,
Bethel Church, Boston,
St. John's, Lancaster,
St. Andrew's, Elyria,
St. Paul's, Maumee City,
St. John's, Dover,
St. Stephen's, East Liverpool,
Zion Church, Dresden,
St. James', Wooster,
Christ Church, Hudson,
St. Paul's, Hartsgrove,
St. Paul's, Columbus,
Trinity Church, Cincinnati,

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati,
Christ Church, Dayton,
St. John's, Worthington,
Trinity Church, Cleveland,
Trinity Church, Columbus,
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,
Trinity Church, Troy,
St. Peter's, Delaware,
St. James', Cross Creek,
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,
St. Paul's, Medina,
Christ Church, Windsor,
St. James', Zanesville,
St. Matthew's, Perry,
St. Michael's, Unionville,
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,
St. Matthew's, Plymouth,
Christ Church, Springfield,
St. James', Painesville,
St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,
Christ Church, Franklin,
Grace Church, Sandusky City,
St. Paul's, Akron,
St. Philip's, Strongsville,
St. John's, Ohio City,
St. Paul's, Greenville,
Trinity Ch., Jefferson, Aa., Co.,
St. John's, Wakeman,
Christ Church, Huron,
St. Mark's, Sidney,
Christ Church, Warren,
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,
St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,
Calvary Church, Pittsfield,
Christ Church, Tiffin,

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HARCOURT PARISH, Gambier, Ohio,
Wednesday, Sept. 6th, 1843. }

This being the day and place appointed for the meeting of the Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, the Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D. Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates, assembled in Rosse Chapel, Harcourt Parish, at half past 10 o'clock, A. M. Morning Prayers were read by the Rev. Intrepid Morse, and the Lessons by the Rev. Lyman N. Freeman. The Ante-communion Service was read by the Bishop, and the Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.

After divine service, the Bishop took the Chair and called the Convention to order. A list of the Clergy constitutionally entitled to seats in Convention, being furnished by the Bishop, was read by the Secretary, and the following persons answered to their names:

The Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D. D.,	
Rev. Ethan Allen,	Rev. Lyman N. Freeman,
Norman Badger,	Alvah Guion,
Alfred Blake,	John Henshaw,
James B. Britton,	Intrepid Morse,
Sherlock A. Bronson,	Joseph Muenscher,
John L. Bryan,	Alanson Phelps,
Erastus Burr,	Ephraim Punderson,
Anson Clark,	John Sandels,
George Dcnison,	Alvah Sanford,
A. F. Dobb,	Wm. A. Smallwood,
Joshua T. Eaton,	George B. Sturges,
Robert S. Elder,	John Swan,
Thomas B. Fairchild,	M. T. C. Wing.

The names of Parishes entitled to representation in the Convention were then called, and the testimonials of the Lay-dele-

gates were laid upon the Secretary's table. After which the Convention was declared by the Bishop to be duly organized.

The Convention then proceeded to make choice of a Secretary, and the Rev. Messrs. Allen and Fairchild were appointed tellers. On counting the ballots, the Rev. Joseph Muenschner was declared to be unanimously elected.

The Bishop then appointed Rev. Mr. Wing, Rev. Mr. Denison, and Mr. Viers the Committee of Examination, to whom the certificates of the Lay-Delegates were referred.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

Wednesday, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and after prayer, proceeded to business. The roll of the Clergy being called, the following answered to their names, in addition to those who were present in the morning. The Rev. Richard Bury, Rev. Richard S. Killin, and Rev. Henry L. Richards.

The Committee of Examination made the following report, which was, on motion, received.

The Committee on the Credentials of Lay-delegates report the following as canonically entitled to seats in this Convention:

Harcourt Parish, Gambier, D. B. Douglass, N. W. Putnam.

St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, Jesse B. Thomas, M. W. Stamp, T. W. Rogers.

St. Luke's, Granville, A. P. Prichard.

Trinity Church, Newark, Virgil Hillyer.

St. Peter's, Delaware, Caleb Howard, Thomas Cox, William Houston.

St. Paul's, Medina, Isaac Bronson, Russell Thayer.

St. Paul's, Steubenville, John H. Viers, Bezaleel Wells.

St. Stephen's, Grafton, Wm. H. H. Potter, Geo. Van Deusen.

St. Luke's, Marietta, Frederick A. Wheeler.

St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, Frederick Wolcott.

St. James', Zanesville, Samuel Yates.

Grace Church, Sandusky City, Abner Root, Rice Harper.

Christ Church, Dayton, Henry P. Smythe,

St. Paul's, Akron, John Raymond.

St. Timothy's, Massillon, James L. Reynolds. Wm. H. Greenough.
Fabius C. Gray

Trinity Church, Columbus, Joseph R. Swan.

Trinity Church, Cleveland, H. L. Noble, Geo. E. Freeman.

All Saints', Portsmouth, Samuel S. Fuller.

St. James', Piqua, Adam Alexander, Demas Adams, Jun.

St. Paul's, Chillicothe, John Wood, John Woodbridge, James S. McGinnis.

St. Matthew's, Perry, John Trimble, George McDaniel.

St. Paul's, Norwalk, John Vredenburg, Eben Boult, Samuel B. Lewis.

On motion, the Rules of Order of the last Convention, having been read, were adopted as the Rules of Order of the present convention.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II. When the President takes the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the Chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present,—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the Parishes entitled to representation: and the Lay-delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint 1. *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership, and Certificates of Lay-delegates, and Incorporation of Churches, and their Admission into Union with the Convention. 2. *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one Clergyman and one Layman. After the Committee of Examination has reported the names of the Lay-delegates entitled to seats in Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:—1. *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one Clergyman and two Laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's Report, and Assessment of the Parishes and all matters of a Financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2. *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two Clergymen and one Layman; to whom shall be referred the Report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3. *A Committee on Canons*: to consist of two Clergymen and two Laymen, to whom new canons and all alterations and amendments of existing canons shall be referred.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All Committees shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for Holy Orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Swan, the following additional Rule of Order was adopted:

RULE XVII. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

The Bishop then appointed the following Standing Committees:

COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. Mr. Britton and Mr. Prichard.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Rev. Mr. Guion, Caleb Howard, H. L. Noble.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Rev. Mr. Morse, Rev. R. S. Killin, and President Douglass.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

Rev. S. A. Bronson, Rev. Mr. Smallwood, Judge Swan, and J. L. Reynolds.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Allen,

Resolved, That the reading of the Bishop's Annual Address be requested to be postponed till to-morrow morning.

The Bishop then appointed the following persons a Committee for the nomination of a Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Seminary:

Rev. John Swan, Rev. Mr. Sanford, and Jesse B. Thomas.

On motion the reading of the Parochial Reports was commenced, and after progress made therein, the Convention, on motion, adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Thursday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After prayer the roll was called, and the following Clergymen answered to their names, in addition to those already specified:

Rev. John T. Brooke, D. D., Rev. Joseph S. Large, Rev. Samuel Marks, Rev. Willard Presbury, Rev. D. W. Tolford Rev. Alexander Varian.

The minutes of yesterday were read and approved.

The Committee of Examination reported the following Lay delegates, as entitled to seats in the Convention, which report was accepted.

Christ Church, Springfield, Clark, Co., E. H. Cumming.

St. Paul's, Cincinnati, William Andrews.

St. James', Painesville, David B. Aikin.

Christ Church, Cincinnati, William Key Bond.

Grace Church, Berkshire, David Prince.

The same Committee further reported that Calvary Church Pittsfield, had complied with the requisition of the Canons and asked to be received into union with this Convention, which report was accepted, and Calvary Church received into union with the Convention.

The Bishop of the Diocese then delivered the following

A D D R E S S .

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO:

In making to you my annual statement of official acts during the past year I have much less to say concerning the visitation of parishes than usual. Other necessary duties, united with periods of ill health, have greatly abridged my visitations. Soon after the last Convention, I set out to visit the parishes in the Western and North-Western parts of the diocese; and continued the work, until the setting in of winter required its cessation. As soon as the roads had sufficiently improved in the spring, I visited almost all the parishes in the South West; excluding only those of Cincinnati, Portsmouth, and Hamilton. I had fully expected to visit all those situated North and East from Massillon, before being obliged to proceed to other duties. The appointments were made; the parishes were in readiness; in several churches an unusual degree of interest in the visitation had been created; and a number of candidates for orders, such as it was truly painful to disappoint, were waiting. But it pleased God, as at Huron, the year before, to bring me down with a bilious fever, at Massillon, the first place in my list of appointments, so that I was obliged to return with only one parish visited. That fever came upon me after

I had been greatly debilitated by repeated attacks of the most painful form of neuralgia, a disease to which I have long been subject when over-worked in body, or mind. The continuance of visitation-duty, as the hot weather came on, was out of the question. And besides that, it was absolutely necessary that I should go to the Eastward, according to the request of the special Convention, held in December last, to endeavour to obtain the means of rescuing the diocesan institutions of learning from their pecuniary embarrassments. I spent from about the middle of June till the first week of August, in that work, and returned only in time to make the necessary preparations for this Convention. While in the Eastern States I attended, in my place, the Annual Meeting at Boston, of the Board of Missions of our General Missionary Society, and, as much as my engagements would allow, the Annual Meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, in New York. I have returned from my effort in behalf of our College and Theological Seminary, only that I might be in my place at this Convention. It will be necessary that I go back to the East, for the further prosecution of the work as soon as I can make due arrangements after your session shall have terminated. What I have already done is mainly preparatory. The principal places were so deserted by that class of inhabitants whom it was my business to see, that it was in vain to think of accomplishing the object until the warm season should be over. The fall months must be devoted to it. It is a heavy, arduous, heart-wearying, and soul-trying effort; requiring painful absence from domestic duties and enjoyments, as well as from those duties of my diocese which more properly belong to my office; and which unspeakably better suit my taste. I have taken it up as a cross, which cannot well be laid on any other shoulders. The effort is now precisely in the condition requiring that it be pushed as soon as the state of the congregations in the large cities will allow. In all its relations, I regard it as *the work* which I have, under Providence, to labour in, till it be accomplished. There never was a time in the history of our Church when we could less afford to let such institutions go down, or languish, under the paralysis of debt. The special Convention, in December, saw not how the present perils could be avoided unless I would undertake what must thus take me away from the more spiritual labors of the diocese. Under their request, I have taken the burden. And I wish now to apprise the parishes, through their representatives here present, and sorry I am to have to do it, that there is no prospect of my being able to return to Ohio and resume visitation, until the setting in of winter, when, except on certain roads, it will be, *to me*, impracticable. If it be a sacrifice to them to be so long without visitation, much more is it to me, to be so long engaged in such occupation. If I am willing to take my part of the cross; I trust they will so far contribute to the bearing of the burden, as rightly to appreciate the cause of some of them being much longer unvisited than has hitherto been the case.

And here, while referring to the object for which my time is so much demanded, I will finish what you will expect to hear from me on that head.

The manner in which the clergy and laity in the eastern dioceses have entertained the application, the interest manifested in it, and the readiness to co-operate, are such as greatly to encourage me. The sense of the value and importance of our institutions to the whole Church, is very wide and strong. Many in our own diocese might learn a very profitable lesson by hearing what I have heard on that subject; and it would be good for the whole diocese, clerical and lay, to receive the sermons on that head which I have received from such as the aged widow placing

in my hand, with tears and prayers, her gold piece, saved from penury and consecrated to God, and given with earnestness and determination, even when I begged it should not be given, because I feared to take a gift so sacred, so costly, so precious. I could tell you much on this subject. I have wept when some gifts came; because, small as was their numerical value, I knew from what sacrifice they came; I knew they came from Christ's own poor; I knew they cost more to those who gave than the paying our whole debt would cost to thousands of Churchmen; I knew they came in company with humble, fervent prayers, multiplying infinitely their value; I knew how precious they were in the sight of God, to whom "a cup of cold water in the name of a disciple" is of more esteem than thousands of silver and gold given without a sense of sacrifice, without self-denial, without prayer. It is worth going on such an errand to see how much real, self-denying, earnest taking thought for Christ's cause there is among those whose means do not enable them to do what would make much appearance before the world, or would go far in such pecuniary relief as that which we seek; but whose little is very great and precious to any object, and whose nearness to God is such that a mere pecuniary estimate of the value of such friends, such benefactors, touches not the hem of its garment.—Would that our parishes were filled with such hearts; then would our hands indeed be lifted up; then would our scriptural form of godliness be filled with the living power, and God's blessing would abide upon the Church, as the dew upon Hermon, as the cloud of his presence upon the tents of Israel.

I shall return to the East, much encouraged as to the ultimate success of my effort, though expecting, through much labour, to accomplish it. But, brethren, bear this in mind—I seek help in the East, on the assurance that we of Ohio will not be lacking. I have promised that the diocese will do well its part. I leave a large portion of the debt, all that is due in Ohio, to be paid by the Diocese of Ohio. The reports of what has been done in the several districts, have not been matured. The present aspect is encouraging. Several of the chief parishes and of the lesser ones, have done well, fully up to my expectations. Some have exceeded expectation; while some have given a response in a contrary way which was not looked for. I trust there is something temporary in the aspect of the latter part of the case. Surely none of our parishes, will be willing to stand unrepresented in this common and pressing cause, holding back, while others labour to go forward. The consideration is not what is the share of any parish, or what has been done heretofore by any. But in an effort that requires *all we can do now*, the question is *what is each parish able to do?*

After all, much of the value of the effort will depend on the facility of collecting the subscriptions. For this the aid of the several parishes will still be needed.

I feel more confident than ever, that if the draft upon the receipts of the Trustees for interest on debt be stopped, the current income will be sufficient to meet comfortably the current need. I make no promise of gratifying in that case inconsiderate expectations. I am well aware that there are persons who have been greatly disappointed that our Theological Seminary has not become far more considerable in the number of its students and the magnitude of its work; not pausing to consider how far it had bread to live on, or could create candidates for orders. Perhaps if they had been cautious to consider only two things—*first* the small number of candidates for orders yielded by the Church in all the West, *secondly* that during the last five years, the Theological Seminary has had but an income of \$450 on which to sustain its Professors, the other main branches of the institution requir-

ing all their own avails, and the income from lands going to pay interest on debt, their opinions would have been more favourable and their influence less prejudicial to a cause which needs, and merits, our most united and cordial co-operation.

Here I must record our indebtedness to a kind Providence for a most gracious help in the time of our greatest need.

During the last February, I received a letter, signed by no name, enclosing a certificate of sixty shares in the Ohio Life and Trust Company; simply saying that the interest was "to be applied yearly to the support of aged and infirm ministers of the Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, and, if needful, ten per cent of the principal." I was requested to answer the letter by addressing L. P., through the Post Office at N. York. In my answer I requested to be allowed to know the name of so kind a benefactor, and also that since the object to which the benefaction was permanently devoted, was not, just now, a pressing one in a young diocese, and the support of theological instruction was our present urgent need, he would allow me to devote the annual interest to that object, till such time as I should see the original one to need it more. After some time I received a reply fully acceding to my request, and modestly signing the name of Peter Lorillard, Esq., of N. York; an aged gentleman who was known by his intimate friends to be in the habit of doing many such good works, in that humble, modest, exemplary manner, the reverse of sounding a trumpet to call witnesses to our benevolent deeds. Soon after learning the name of our kind friend, I received information that he had departed this life. May the fruits of his charity follow in a long succession of benefits to the Church! We will try to honour his memory by the best use of his gift to the glory of God. He distributed what he intended to leave to objects of benevolence, before it passed from his control. He was his own executor. Would that the members of the Church did oftener consider, when drawing near their time of departure whether the cause of Christ has not a claim upon their remembrance; whether when about to leave the tribulations and contests and burdens of this militant state of the Church, to those who survive, and go themselves to rest and peace where sin will never trouble and tears never come, they ought not to leave something to help their yet struggling brethren; something as a memorial of their last interest in the wars of the Lord, on earth; something to be continually saying, what the great cloud of witnesses on high, ever looking down upon our conflicts, and temptations, and infirmities, would say to us, could our ears catch their exhortation;—"be steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord; forasmuch as ye know that your labour shall not be in vain in the Lord."

I should have said, while speaking of our Theological Seminary, that Bexley Hall, the beautiful Gothic building at the North end of our village, will have rooms finished in it this fall, for the reception of theological students. The Rev. Samuel Fuller, D. D., having been nominated to the Milnor Professorship of Divinity in the Seminary, by the Rev. James Milnor, D. D., Rector of St. George's Church, N. Y., and the nomination having been duly confirmed at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, has accepted the appointment and expects to enter upon his duties at the opening of the ensuing fall term.

I now proceed to such details as are needful for a view of the state of the Church in this Diocese.

The Parishes visited, since last Convention, are the following, viz:—Grace Church, Berkshire, St. Peter's, Delaware, St. Paul's, Radnor, Grace Church, Sandusky City, Trinity Church, Lyme, St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky, St. Paul's,

Maumee, St. Mark's, Mill Creek, St. Paul's, Chillicothe, Christ Church, Springfield, St. James', Piqua, Trinity Church, Troy, Christ Church, Dayton, Trinity Church, Newark, St. Luke's, Granville, Trinity Church, Columbus, St. Paul's, Columbus, St. Philip's, Circleville, St. Paul's, Mount Vernon, St. Timothy's Massillon, St. James', Wooster, St. James', Painesville, and Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

Besides these, I have visited and preached in Marion, Bellevue, Perrysburgh and Coshocton, where we have no parishes. While at home, during the year, I have done my usual work of theological instruction, as well as of regular preaching, once on Sunday, and once during the week, in this Chapel.

The Confirmations have been as follows:—In Grace Church, Berkshire, 6; St. Peter's, Delaware, 5; Grace Church, Sandusky City, 4; Trinity Church, Lyme, 11; St. Paul's, Maumee City, 14; St. Mark's, Mill Creek, 10; St. Paul's, Chillicothe, at two confirmations, 19 and 25, making 44; Christ Church, Springfield, 10; St. James', Piqua, 13; Trinity Church, Newark, at two confirmations, 10 and 8, making 18; St. Luke's, Granville, 11; Trinity Church, Columbus, 33; St. Paul's, Columbus, 8; St. Philip's, Circleville, 6; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, 11; St. Timothy's, Massillon, 26; St. James', Wooster, 6; St. James', Painesville, 35; Harcourt Parish, Gambier, 8; making a total of confirmations of 279. The number would have been much greater had not my illness prevented the usual amount of visitation. There are several parishes which have received a great blessing, during the year upon the means of grace, and which are not included among those which have been visited.

While at Granville, I visited the Female Seminary, under the auspices of the parish in that place. The examination which was held in my presence was highly satisfactory. All that I saw of the Institution was gratifying. In point of neatness, order, retirement, study, instruction, sobriety of demeanor, religious influence and general discretion in the management, I was well satisfied that parents have no need to send their daughters out of the diocese for education. I earnestly wish the merits of that school were much more widely known. I am sure it would be much more generally patronized. It is grievous to hear, as we sometimes do, of our church-people sending their daughters to the schools of Romanists, when we have institutions so good among ourselves.

Since my last report, I have ordained, to the order of Presbyters, the Rev. G. S. Davis; the Rev. J. S. Large; the Rev. A. Phelps; the Rev. R. S. Elder; the Rev. R. S. Killin; the Rev. S. G. Gassaway; the Rev. H. L. Richards, and the Rev. J. C. Smith.

I have, in the same space of time, admitted to the order of Deacons, the Rev. Greene G. Moore; the Rev. Almon C. Barnes; the Rev. Levi L. Holden, and the Rev. Albert T. McMurphy.

There are only four candidates for orders at present in the Diocese, though there are some young men who will apply for candidateship at the next meeting of the Standing Committee. I spoke very feelingly at our last Convention of this sad comment upon the efficiency of our parochial ministry. Surely there is something grievously wanting, somewhere, when our parishes furnish so few young men to seek, with holy self-denying zeal, the work of the ministry. Do we pray, as we ought, that "the Lord of the Harvest would send forth labourers into his harvest"?

One new church has been consecrated during the year, viz., St. Timothy's, Massillon, a beautiful and tasteful building, for which our brethren at Massillon have not spared their substance.

Four new parishes have been formed and duly reported to me, viz., St. Paul's, Columbus, which was received into union with the Convention at the special session in January; Calvary Church, Pittsfield, Lorain Co.; Christ Church, Tiffin; and Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

I have accepted letters of dismission by which there have been transferred to this Diocese, from N. York, the Rev. J. C. Smith, who has taken charge of St. James' Church, Wooster; from Kentucky, the Rev. E. Winthrop, who has taken charge of the new parish of Trinity, Cincinnati; and the Rev. Edward Lounsbury, who is now acting as an agent under my direction in the collection of funds for our diocesan Seminary and College.

I have granted letters dimissory to the Rev. H. V. D. Johns, the Rev. Hugh Kelly, the Rev. Moses H. Hunter, the Rev. James J. Okill, the Rev. G. G. Moore, the Rev. S. G. Gassaway, the Rev. E. W. Pect, and the Rev. Abraham Wheeler.

The changes within the diocese are as follows: viz., the Rev. A. C. Barnes immediately on his ordination took charge of Trinity Church, Troy; the Rev. W. M. Burton has become Rector of St. John's, Ohio City; the Rev. Wm. Fagg, of St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky; the Rev. Alvah Guion, of St. Paul's, Norwalk; the Rev. Alanson Phelps, (as diocesan Missionary) of St. Stephen's, Grafton; the Rev. Henry L. Richards, of St. Paul's, Columbus; the Rev. D. W. Tolford, of St. Luke's, Marietta. It is my painful duty to state that, in July last, I suspended from the exercise of the ministry, after canonical trial, until such time as he shall make satisfactory acknowledgments to me, the Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D., then Rector of Grace Church, Cincinnati. On receiving the opinion of the Board of Trial, I availed myself of the provision made, last year, in the Canons, by which the Bishop, in certain cases, is allowed to refer the opinion of the Board of Trial, to the Bishop of another diocese for confirmation, and obliging him in doing so to pass sentence according to the decision of that Bishop. The opinion was referred to the Bishop of the diocese of N. Carolina, whom I conveniently met in New-York, and was by him confirmed. Sentence was therefore passed accordingly.

I have now a matter connected with this act of painful discipline, which the Canons oblige me to lay before the Convention, to which I request particular attention.

At the same time that I communicated to Dr. Colton, by letter, from New York, the sentence of suspension, I informed, by letter, the Vestry of his parish of the same, and informed them that his connexion with the Parish as Rector was terminated by that suspension. That letter was read in vestry meeting on the 7th of July. I soon after received information, by letter dated July 17, and having the signatures of the Junior Warden and the then Secretary of the Vestry, himself a vestryman, that in the reading of that letter, Dr. Colton being in the Chair, they protested against his continuing therein, but the protest was not sustained, and he continued to preside. The signers of that letter requested my opinion what they should do. I answered immediately that the Parish was without a Rector; that the suspension had changed the relation of Dr. Colton thereto so entirely that his former clerical connection therewith remained in no degree, and that the Vestry had better proceed to call a Rector to fill the vacancy. On the 31st of July a *formal resignation* of the Rectorship of the Parish was made by Dr. Colton, and as formally accepted by vote of the Vestry, and the canonical certificate of the resignation and of the pretended consequent vacancy of the parish was sent me by the Senior Warden.

I had as then advised, no way to understand the continuance of Dr. Colton to occupy the Chair of the Vestry, especially after the protest against it, above mentioned, but as an attempt to hold the position of Rector, at least in part, notwithstanding the letter from me just read in the meeting. Nor had I any way of understanding the support given to that act, by all the Vestry present, except two, but as an expression, on their part, directly contradictory to the information communicated by me, and indicative of a spirit towards the discipline of the Church which could not be overlooked. Of my correspondence with Dr. Colton on the subject, it is not proper that I should speak here, because the Convention comes into no connection with that part of the case. With the part taken by the Parish, you have connexion, as I will presently explain.

On receiving the certificate of the Senior Warden, communicating to me the information just mentioned, I addressed a letter to the Wardens and Vestrymen of the Parish, stating how the support given by the Vestry to Dr. Colton's continuing to hold the Chair, after his suspension had been communicated to him and them, appeared to me; and that I must also interpret the *formal acceptance* of his professed resignation, in the same way, until I should receive information other than I then possessed, and requesting them to explain the two proceedings, together with their formal notification to me, of the resignation of a rectorship which I had before informed them had been already vacated by the discipline of the Church. I have received in answer a letter from the Senior Warden, and another, signed by all the members of the Vestry except two. I have another from the present Secretary of the Vestry, which, though not in answer to my letter to that body, applies to the subject of enquiry.

The only explanation of the matters above mentioned bearing at all on the case, is, that some of the Vestry understood my information to them of the termination of Dr. Colton's rectorship, by the sentence of suspension, as the *mere expression of a matter of opinion on my part*, from which they differed; that others thought the suspension was to be considered as having necessarily terminated Dr. Colton's connection with the Parish as Rector, so far as his *spiritual* functions were concerned; but that he had a civil tenure, which it did not terminate, and in that capacity his rectorship continued, until it was resigned. Of course, I recognize no tenure of rectorship, after the ecclesiastical has been dissolved. There is no tenure among us, under the name of Rector but that which is ecclesiastical and spiritual. The letter of the Vestry assures me "respectfully," that "no official act of theirs was in any wise intended to oppose, or hinder, the action of any discipline of the Church; neither were any of their official or individual acts (alluded to in my letter) intended in any way to be offensive to the Bishop of the Diocese."

Thus the case stands at present. I feel it my duty to lay it before the Convention for the following reasons:—1st. Because, in the case of a Parish, by its representatives, violating the terms of its admission into union with the Convention, which terms bind it to submit to the discipline of the Church, the whole remedy is in the hands of the Convention. It remains for the Convention to decide in the present case whether that union has been forfeited or not; and in either event what shall be done. (See Canons xxxiii. and xxxiv. of General Convention of 1832.)

2nd. The *prima facie* view of the present case is certainly one of very serious import as indicating a disposition to act in and abet resistance, on the part of the Vestry of Grace Church, to the discipline of the Church in this Diocese; and in this aspect it has obtained much notoriety.

3rd. The interests of the Church require, especially since this is the first instance of such apparent resistance, that it be carefully enquired into. Whatever my private opinion of the case may be, as it now stands, I wish to be considered as *expressing* none. I have done my part in thus far maturing the case and laying it before the Convention. If you shall think the disavowal on the part of the Vestry of "any intention to oppose or hinder the discipline, or to be offensive to the Bishop of the Diocese," ought to be satisfactory, well and good. If not, you will proceed accordingly. The correspondence alluded to is at the service of the Convention.

I beg to call the attention of my brethren of the clergy and laity to the new religious paper recently commenced in the diocese and at Gambier; under the name of the *Western Episcopalian*. Ever since the failure of the former diocesan paper, we have painfully felt the need of such a medium of communication. The present is conducted without any view to, or expectation of, any pecuniary advantage. If it shall clear its expenses, it will be as much as is for the present expected. I have no further responsibility for its character, than as I recommend its being patronised. I do recommend it, and hope indeed it will be well sustained by subscriptions in the diocese.

Since our last Convention, what a bereavment has our whole Church sustained. In my last address, I spoke of the decease of the venerable Bishop Moore. Now it is Bishop Griswold who has been taken from us, to his Master and Saviour—that dear, humble, meek, wise, spiritually-minded, faithful, most beloved Bishop—our most aged, our most experienced Bishop, whose countenance was always a sermon, whose whole way and life were so eminently the Gospel. How can we do without his meekness, his wisdom, his simplicity, his fast hold upon the truth and life of the Gospel, his deep knowledge of what the Church needs, and what her ministers ought to be and to preach, in these times! The Lord who took him away, because He had made him "meet to be a partaker of the inheritance of the saints in light," is yet Himself with His Church, and we will put our trust in Him, knowing that in Him we have all things.

I rejoice to record the consecration of the Rev. Manton Eastburn, D. D., to be the successor of Bishop Griswold in the Episcopate of Massachusetts; of the Rev. John Johns, D. D., to be Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Virginia, and of the Rev. J. P. K. Henshaw, D. D., to the Episcopate of the Diocese of Rhode Island—all brethren with whom, from my youth up, I have enjoyed a near association, and in whom the Church may rejoice.

Before concluding this Address, I feel obliged by a sense of duty to the Church to speak of a certain recent transaction in another diocese which has created a great deal of excitement, anxiety, and alarm throughout our church. You, of course, understand me to refer to the ordination of the Rev. Arthur Carey, to the order of Deacons, by the Bishop of the Diocese of New York. Now I perfectly understand and realize the great delicacy of any reference to the propriety of that ordination by the Bishop of another diocese, before his diocesan Convention. But I do not grant that our dioceses are so entirely independent, that what takes place under the Episcopal jurisdiction and sanction of one may never properly be made a subject of official consideration and remark by the Bishop or Convention of another. Ordinations are not diocesan acts. They have it is true certain diocesan connections. A diocesan committee acts upon the testimonials of the candidate; but under our confederate organization it is not by diocesan canons that the qualifications of the candidate or the mode and terms on which he shall be ordained are prescribed. As the

- Canons which regulate these things are common to all our dioceses; so by ordination under them, the candidate becomes a clergyman of our whole Church, and passes from one diocese to another, by virtue of his ordination in either. His being, after his ordination, under the jurisdiction of the Bishop who ordained him, is merely because he was under the same jurisdiction before. This diocesan relation comes not by his ordination. A Bishop in conferring orders, acts for the whole Episcopal Church of the United States, under laws enacted by and for that whole Church, and all parts of that Church have as deep an interest in the sort of men whom he ordains and the type of doctrines which he thereby admits into the ministry, as the parishes of his own diocese. In one year, all the persons ordained during the present year, by my respected brother in the Episcopate of New York, may be received by letters dimissory, into as many dioceses, and be exercising important influence over the character of the Church therein. We have confederate relations and duties, as well as those which are strictly independent and diocesan. On the discharge of a Bishops' duties, so far as they are regulated by diocesan canons, it would be highly improper for another Bishop on such an occasion as this, to remark. But it is certainly conceivable that under the Canons of our General Convention, made to protect the ministry of the whole Church from the introduction into it of false doctrine or evil life by the Bishop of any part of it, there may take place an ordination against which it would be the duty of all the dioceses, in self-defence, to protest.

With these views, I consider the case alluded to as of so serious a nature, on account of its own intrinsic features, the peculiar danger of our Church in these times, and the necessity of the greatest vigilance to prevent the spread of doctrines against which she is decidedly and solemnly Protestant, that I cannot do my duty to the Church of Christ in general, and that of my own diocese in particular, without expressing on this occasion some part of my mind at least, in regard to it. But, in doing this, I shall be truly sorry if a single word shall be understood as intended to be, or to appear, in the least degree disrespectful, unkind, ungracious towards the Bishop who ordained, or those whose judgment in the case were in agreement with his own. I will speak of the ordination in as much abstraction as possible from the motives, the opinions, and the views of duty of those concerned therein.

I have read the statement of the two clergymen who made the public protest, and also whatever has been published on the other side, either by Mr. Carey or any of the clergy who advised his ordination. I have read also almost all that has appeared in our several religious periodicals on the subject. I have seen nothing to affect the substantial aspect of the case as it appeared to the protesting clergymen, and as they made it appear to the church. Great efforts have been used to take away that aspect. In my humble opinion they have failed. The first appearance is substantially the present. I know not what may yet be said to change it. The principal person concerned has not spoken. I must not therefore so far judge the case as not to leave it open to any modification which future expositions may reasonably claim to be allowed to make. But I must say that, if there be no just view of the matter more favourable than that which it now wears (and it would certainly seem as if it had been maturely discussed and examined) then, for the purity and honour and usefulness of our Church, I do most deeply regret that a person professing such a state of mind in regard to the peculiarities of the Church of Rome has been admitted to our ministry; and as a Bishop of the Church of Christ, placed over a diocese

which is confederate, and in communion with, the diocese of New York, under the Canons of our General Convention, I most solemnly protest against the ordination of a candidate exhibiting the like state of mind, being ever again allowed in the Protestant Episcopal Church in these United States.

I say again, and emphatically, my views thus expressed, are *conditional*. They depend upon the correctness of that aspect of the case in which all the publications about it, have left it. I express them now, instead of waiting to know whether any thing further is to be said, because my Diocese, through its representatives, is now assembled, and will not be assembled again until a year has passed, and I believe the honour of the Church requires that such an opportunity of avowing the sentiments just expressed should not be lost.

There is one view which I feel bound to express *unconditionally*. The propriety of the solemn protest made by the two clergymen, who opposed the ordination, cannot be affected by any thing that may yet be stated. Enough has been granted, in my judgment, fully to justify that act; whatever may hereafter appear in defence of those who sanctioned the ordination. But here, in justification of my expressing thus publicly and officially my high sense of what the Church owes to those brethren for their faithfulness, let it be well observed that when they made their protest before the public congregation, they were exercising a right which belonged to them, not as Presbyters of the Diocese of New York, but as members of the Church in general. The right of protest on such occasions is not diocesan but universal.—Any member of any diocese, any Presbyter, any Bishop, being present, would have had the same right to stand up before the Bishop of the Diocese of New York and utter the same words. The protest which it would have been my right, simply as a member of the church, to make, had I been present at the ordination, I may now, without impropriety, speak of and approve, as made by others having the same right. The right, in their case, was no way impaired by their having made substantially the same protest, in private before. A private protest and a public one are very different things. A protest in a vestry room cannot supersede the right of protest before the assembled Church, amidst the solemnities of the House of God.—It is the right to stand before the many witnesses of the great congregation, in the presence of the Lord of Hosts in His sanctuary, and there declaring whatever may seem an impediment for the which a candidate awaiting the laying on of hands ought not to be received into God's holy ministry; this is the sacred right given by our Church to every one of her members, at every ordination, in any diocese; and it is a protection to our ministry and the purity of the Church which we cannot hold fast too steadfastly.

Regarding then the protest of these brethren as having been made in their capacity as members of the whole Church and as having in no sense any diocesan character, I am free to speak in its praise. And this I do respectfully and kindly as regards their Bishop, cordially as regards them. It was a trying duty. But it was duty. It was new. No instance of a parallel kind had occurred before. The previous circumstances made it specially painful. It required a strong decision of conscience and a strong nerve of obedience to meet the case in faithfulness. It was done with calmness and dignity. And when I consider the whole matter, in connection with all the circumstances of the Church in these times, I feel that the whole Church owes a large debt of gratitude to those brethren for their faithful, noble and painful stand, for the purity of her ministry. For myself and my dio-

case, I take this public opportunity of expressing to the Rev. Hugh Smith, D. D., and the Rev. Henry Anthon, D. D., my thankful sense of their faithfulness.

There are two aspects of that ordination in which the several dioceses are deeply interested. One is its connection with the character of our General Theological Seminary in the city of New York. The Bishop who ordained is not only President of the Faculty of that Seminary, but Professor also of "the Nature, Ministry and Polity of the Church." One of the clergy who assisted in the examination of Mr. Carey, and advised his being ordained is Professor in the same, of pastoral theology. The Church may well ask what sort of doctrine and what sympathy with Romanism may not be encouraged in that institution, if the present aspect of that ordination be correct. Surely it will not be strange if students are discouraged from going there and patronage be denied it, until some effectual measures be taken to ascertain the nature of the influence therein exerted, and of the doctrines therein tolerated, encouraged, or promoted.

Again. In the passing of ministers from the jurisdiction of one diocese to that of another, the reliance of the Bishop receiving, for the character of the minister, must in a great many cases be placed exclusively upon the prescribed letter dimissory from the Bishop transferring. That letter must certify that A. B., so far as his Bishop knows and believes, "has not, for three years last past, been justly liable to evil report for *error in religion*." Hitherto there has been such agreement among the Bishops as to what is "*error in religion*," that their certificates have been freely current from one to another. And most important is it to the peace and unity of the Church that such should ever be the case. I need not point out how directly such an admission to the ministry as that we have been speaking of, tends to destroy all that confidence. A Bishop receiving to holy orders a candidate holding the errors of Mr. Carey, could also give him a letter dimissory certifying to his doctrinal purity. What steps must a Bishop, rejecting such errors and believing them to be of very serious importance, adopt to protect his own diocese, in case of a proposed transfer from the diocese of the former? I need say no more on this head.—God forbid that we should ever come to such a condition of things in our Church that a letter dimissory from any of our Bishops, may not be received by another as good *prima facie* evidence of the soundness in the faith of its bearer!

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Brooke, it was

Resolved, To appoint a Committee of eight, composed of Clergymen and Laymen, to take into consideration so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Ordination of the Rev. Arthur Carey in the Diocese of New York.

The following persons were appointed on that Committee:—Rev. John T. Brooke, D. D., Rev. William Smallwood, Rev. Mr. Varian, and Rev. Mr. Morse. Messrs. E. H. Cumming, W. K. Bond, D. B. Douglass, and J. R. Swan.

The Committee of Examination reported that Trinity Ch. Cincinnati, had complied with the canonical requisitions, and asked to be received into union with the Convention.

On motion of E. H. Cumming,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the late proceedings of the Vestry of Grace Church, Cincinnati, be referred to a Special Committee of three clergymen and three laymen.

E. H. Cumming and Rev. Mr. Allen were appointed a Committee of Nomination, who subsequently reported the following names:

Rev. Messrs. J. Swan, A. Clark, T. B. Fairchild; and Messrs. D. Adams, jr., J. L. Reynolds, and C. Howard.

On motion of President Douglass,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the Collections for the Diocesan Institutions at Gambier, be referred to a Committee of Clergy and Laity.

The following persons were appointed that Committee:

President Douglass, Mr. Aiken, Mr. Harpur; Rev. Messrs. Bury, Dobb and Varian.

The Committee of Examination reported that Mr. L. E. Brewster has presented the requisite certificate as Lay-delegate from Grace Church, Cincinnati, and is entitled to a seat in Convention, which report was accepted.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and opened with prayer. The roll of the Clergy being called, the following answered to their names and took their seats:—Rev. Abraham Edwards, Rev.

William Fagg, and Rev. C. C. Townsend.

The Committee of Examination reported the name of James Patten as canonically appointed a Delegate to this Convention from St. John's Church, Springfield, Jefferson Co., which report was accepted, and Mr. Patten took his seat.

The Committee on Unfinished Business made the following report, which was accepted.

The Committee on Unfinished Business report, that they find nothing of special notice as requiring the attention of this Convention, but suppose that the resolutions of Mr. Cummings and Mr. Hall, on pages 40 and 41 of the last Journal, should be called up for consideration.*

JAMES B. BRITTON.

* The following are the Resolutions above referred to:—

On motion of Mr. Cumming, *Resolved*, That the interests of the Diocese of Ohio demand a more thorough knowledge of its past legislation as contained in the Jour-

The Committee of Examination reported that Christ Church, Tiffin, has complied with the requisitions of the Canons, and recommend that it be received into union with this Convention. This report was accepted, and Christ Church accordingly received into union with the Convention.

The Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, reported the following names:

Rev. Messrs. Smallwood, Burr, Bury, S. A. Bronson, Denison, and Allen; Messrs. Wm. K. Bond, A. P. Prichard, E. H. Cumming, T. W. Rogers, David Gwynne, and J. L. Reynolds.

Mr. C. Delano was also put in nomination.

On motion, the Convention resolved to proceed to the election of Trustees of the Seminary, and Rev. Messrs. Badger and Fagg were appointed Tellers.

The reading of the Parochial Reports was resumed and concluded.

The Tellers appointed to count the votes for Trustees reported that 57 ballots had been cast, and that the following persons, having each a majority of that number, are elected.

Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood,
Erastus Burr.
S. A. Bronson,
George Denison,
Ethan Allen,
Richard Bury,

Wm. K. Bond,
E. H. Cumming,
J. L. Reynolds,
C. Delano,
T. W. Rogers,
A. P. Prichard.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Sanford,

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of this Diocese be requested to report to the Convention, at its present session, the state of the receipts and expenditures of said Institution during the past year, so that the Convention may learn whether the experience of the past year justifies the hope that the Seminary will actually sustain itself, if once freed from debt.

Mr. Reynolds moved that the next annual Convention of the Church in this Diocese be held in St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

Rev. Dr. Brooke moved to amend the motion of Mr. Reynolds, by striking out all after the word "held," and inserting

nals of its Conventions since its organization. *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed charged with the duty of taking into consideration the practicability of republishing the Journals of the several Conventions of the Diocese of Ohio, from its organization up to the year 1841, inclusive. Rev. Messrs. Muenschel and Wing were appointed said committee.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Hall, *Resolved*, That the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of the Diocese be, and is hereby, respectfully requested by this Convention, to set forth a form of Prayer suitable for the use of the monthly Missionary meetings embraced in the resolution of the Convention passed yesterday.

“Christ Church, Cincinnati.” Rev. Mr. Allen having proposed Christ Church, Dayton, his proposition was accepted by Rev. Dr. Brooke as a substitute for Christ Church, Cincinnati. E. H. Cumming moved the appointment of a Committee to whom should be referred the subject of fixing the time and place of holding the next Convention. The question being taken on Mr. Cumming’s motion, it was lost.

A motion was then made by Judge Prince to postpone the further consideration of the subject till to-morrow, which motion was lost.

The question being then taken on the amendment offered by Rev. Dr. Brooke, it was lost.

The question was then taken on the original motion of Mr. Reynolds, and it passed in the affirmative.

The following persons were appointed a committee to nominate the Standing Committee of the Diocese for the year ensuing: Rev. Messrs. Britton and Burr, and Mr. Prichard.

The following persons were appointed a committee to nominate Delegates to the General Convention; Rev. Messrs. Morse and S. A. Bronson, and Mr. Noble.

The following Report of the Missionary and Education Committee was read by the Secretary, Rev. Mr. Sandals, and referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

In making their Annual Report to the Convention, the Committee feel bound to express their grateful acknowledgments to the Great Head of the Church for the degree of success which has attended the missionary efforts in the diocese during the past year.

The discouragements have been great. The amount of success which has been vouchsafed, however, has been such as to give us a certain assurance that the Lord of the vineyard is with us.

The missionary stations which have been aided are six, viz: Troy and Greenville, the Rev. Mr. Barnes, Missionary; Akron, the Rev. Mr. Freeman, Missionary; Mill-Creek, the Rev. Mr. Henshaw, Missionary; Springfield, Rev. Mr. Gray, Missionary; Grafton, the Rev. Mr. Phelps, Missionary; Warren, the Rev. Mr. Townsend, Missionary.

Five beneficiaries have received the aid of the Committee; three of them students of Kenyon College, and two of the Theological Seminary.

The whole amount received by the Treasurer this year, is \$1071 79. If it be remembered that at the beginning of the year the Treasurer had in his hands the sum of \$130 09, and that \$321 61 of the whole amount received, being a part of the Quinquagessima Collections, was forwarded to the General Missionary Committee, it will

be seen that only \$620 09 have been collected for Diocesan Missionary and Education purposes, and even of this \$195 51 are the result of the special exertion of Quinquagesima Sunday, leaving the amount collected in the ordinary way at the exceedingly small sum of \$424 50.

The sum of \$264 50 is now due to missionaries, and not a cent in the Treasurer's hands to meet it.

But notwithstanding this depressed state of the finances of the Committee, they have every reason to believe that much good has been done by the self-denying labors of the Missionaries. The Committee deem it their duty to express their firm confidence in the present system of Convocations. They have, so far as they have been followed up, fully realized the hopes which were entertained by the Convention of 1840. In those Convocations where they have been most regularly kept up, and their spirit entered into, the missionary stations have become more stable in themselves, and the institutions of our beloved Church more thoroughly appreciated, the missionary spirit increased, and the missionaries themselves animated with the consciousness that their labors of love are crowned with the blessing of the Great Head of the Church.

This has been particularly the case in the North Western Convocation, where by the faithful zeal of the clergy, "one new parish has been formed, one revived and brought into vigorous action, several weak parishes aided and encouraged, and all the brethren that have engaged in the work strengthened to go forward in their labors." In the Scioto Convocation, the meetings have been regularly held and a considerable amount of missionary duty performed; and steps are being taken to render their labors much more efficient.

With these views the Committee desire most affectionately to urge on the clergy composing the several convocations, to keep up their convocational meetings regularly, and enter fully into the spirit of them.

The Committee would also state that they have adopted the rule in relation to the disposal of the funds for education, that no appropriation be made to any College student, who in the arrangement of his class shall fall below the average medium in respect to scholarship. This, it is hoped by the Committee, will give assurance to the Diocese that the funds for education purposes of which they are the stewards, will be properly and conscientiously applied to those purposes which will be of the greatest benefit to the Church.

The Diocese, and particularly the Clergy, are requested to bear in mind that there are three vacant scholarships in the Institution in this place, to which pious young men who are destitute of means may be presented.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SANDELS, *Secretary.*

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 9 o'clock A. M. to-morrow.

Friday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment and organized with prayer. After the calling of the roll, the minutes of the preceding day were read and approved.

The Committee appointed to nominate the Standing Committee of the Diocese, reported the following names:

Rev. Mr. Muenscher,	D. B. Douglass,
“ Mr. Wing,	Geo. Browning,
“ Mr. Blake,	Dr. Richards.

On motion, the Convention resolved to proceed to the election of the Standing Committee. Rev. Mr. Gray and N. W. Putnam were appointed Tellers.

On motion of Mr. Cumming,

The following resolutions adopted by the last Convention and recorded on page 40 of the Journal, were taken up and referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. Messrs. Muenscher and Wing, to report thereon at the next Convention.

Resolved, That the interests of the Diocese of Ohio demand a more thorough knowledge of its past legislation as contained in the Journals of its Conventions since its organization.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed charged with the duty of taking into consideration the practicability of republishing the Journals of the several Conventions of the Diocese of Ohio, from its organization up to the year 1841, inclusive.

On motion of President Douglass,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and report to the next Convention, an abstract of the Journal of the Conventions of the Diocese from the first to the present, embracing so much as shall exhibit a correct history of the state of the Diocese from time to time, and the acts and doings of the Conventions, without embracing the details of daily proceedings and other matters of mere temporary interest.

The above resolution was then referred to the same Committee as the preceding.

The Committee appointed to nominate delegates to the next General Convention, reported the following names:

Rev. J. T. Brooke, D. D.,	Wm. K. Bond,
“ Wm. A. Smallwood,	J. L. Reynolds,
“ Jos. Muenscher,	E. H. Cumming,
“ Ethan Allen,	Columbus Delano.

The tellers appointed to count the votes for Standing Committee, reported that the persons named on the ticket of the no-

minating Committee, had received a majority of votes and were elected.

The Convention, on motion, resolved to proceed to the election of Delegates to the General Convention, and Dr. Stamp and Rev. Mr. Richards were appointed Tellers.

Rev. Mr. Dobb, Rev. Mr. Britton, Rev. Mr. Varian, and B. Storer, were also nominated as Delegates to the General Convention.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved. That the Committee on Canons be directed to enquire into the propriety of adding the following clause to the 15th Canon of the Church in this Diocese.

“And if the person so suspended shall not solicit restoration to the communion within the space of one year, his or her name shall afterwards be entirely dropped from the list of the communicants.”

The Rev. Mr. Dobb offered the following proposed amendment to Canon 15, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons. Sec. 2. Communicants changing residence and thus dissolving their connection with any Parish, shall be required to present certificates of good standing, from their former Pastor, or in case of vacancy, from the Senior Warden, or Clerk of the Vestry, before being placed on record as communicants in any other Parish within this Diocese.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Guion,

Resolved, That a Sunday School Committee be appointed, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to take charge of our Sunday School Depositories and report their condition and wants to the next annual Convention.

The Bishop appointed the following persons that Committee: Rev. Messrs. Guion and Sturgess, and Messrs. Noble and Swan.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Allen,

Resolved, That when the Convention adjourn, it adjourn to meet at 4 o'clock, P. M., The Convention then, on motion adjourned.

Friday, 4 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and opened with prayer. After the calling of the roll, the Committee of Examination reported the names of J. C. James, Henry Lehman and Wm. Childs, as having presented the canonical certificate required of Delegates to the Convention from St. James' Church, Wooster. The report of the Committee was accep-

ted, and the Delegates from St. James' Church took their seats.

The Tellers appointed to count the votes for Delegates to the General Convention, reported that the whole number of ballots cast was 57, and that Rev. Messrs. Smallwood, Brooke and Muenscher, of the Clergy, and Messrs. Reynolds, Bond, Cumming and Delano, of the Laity, having each a majority of that number are elected; and that there remains one vacancy to be filled.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to fill the vacancy, and, the votes having been counted, the Rev. Mr. Varian was declared to be elected.

Rev. Mr. Allen offered the following addition and amendments to Canon I., which on motion, were referred to the Committee on Canons:

"Sec. XII. A Clergyman so tried and found guilty, shall be considered as suspended from the exercise of all the offices of the ministry, as soon as the sentence of the Court has been pronounced.

Amendments.—That the Canon be so amended as 1st to provide for a Judge Advocate or other legal adviser of the Court or tribunal, for which the Canon provides. 2. In the first section to strike out the words, "with as much accuracy as possible." 3. To add to section 8, "or be deemed expedient by the Board."

On motion, the Convention resolved to proceed to make choice of six Trustees of the General Theological Seminary. Several persons having been put in nomination, the Rev. Mr. Sturges and Mr. Howard were appointed Tellers.

The Treasurer of the Diocese presented his reports of the Contingent and Episcopate Funds, which, after being read by the Secretary were referred; the report on the Contingent fund to the Standing Committee of finance, and the report on the Episcopate fund to a special committee of 1 Clergyman and 2 laymen. Rev. Mr. Bury, Wm. K. Bond, and E. H. Cumming, were appointed that Committee.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr,

Resolved, That the Convention have heard with great pleasure of the commencement of a religious paper called the "Western Episcopalian," by our brethren the Rev. Messrs. Wing, Muenscher and Sandels, and they hereby recommend said paper to the liberal support of the Church in this Diocese.

The Rev. Mr. Clark, from the Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's address as relates to Grace

Church, Cincinnati, presented the following report, which was on motion, accepted, and the resolution contained therein adopted.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to certain proceedings of a majority of the Vestry of Grace Church, Cincinnati, beg leave to report that, from the documents laid before them, they are satisfied that there are many things in the proceedings alluded to in the Bishop's Address, which are unauthorized, irregular, and tending to the subversion of good order and salutary discipline in the Church of Christ. Your Committee are fully satisfied that the act of suspension pronounced upon the Rector of a Church, terminates all connexion which had previously existed between him and his parish, and if an act on the part of a Rector, which implies a continuance of the ministerial connexion after such suspension would be contumacy, the same character must be attached to conduct on the part of the Vestry, by which such contumacy is countenanced and upheld. But inasmuch as all intention to resist the action of lawful discipline has been disclaimed on the part of the majority of said Vestry, your Committee do not deem any further action of the Convention upon the subject necessary, than the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the disclaimer of the 31st of August, on the part of the Vestry of Grace Church, of all intention to oppose or hinder the action of discipline in the Church, be regarded as a sufficient apology for their irregular proceedings as well as evidence of their willingness to submit to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, and that further action upon the subject at the present time be dispensed with.

JOHN SWAN,
A. CLARK,
THOS. B. FAIRCHILD,
C. HOWARD,
DEMAS ADAMS, Jr.
JAMES L. REYNOLDS.

On motion, the Convention resolved to proceed to the election of a Treasurer, and Rev. Mr. Sandels and Mr. Fuller were appointed Tellers.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Fairchild,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be, and they are hereby tendered to Mr. George Browning, for his faithful and acceptable services as Treasurer of the Convention.

On motion, Mr. T. W. Rogers was appointed a Committee to audit the Treasurer's Accounts.

The tellers appointed to count the votes for Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, reported that 48 ballots had been cast, and that Rev. Mr. Burr, Rev. Dr. Brooke, W. K. Bond,

E. H. Cumming, and Col. Johnson, having a majority of that number, are elected; and that there remains one vacancy to be filled. A motion was made to dispense with balloting for the remaining Trustee, which motion was lost.

On motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Saturday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After prayer and the call of the roll, the Rev. Mr. Fairchild and Judge Swan asked and obtained leave of absence from the remaining sittings of the Convention.

The tellers appointed to collect the ballots for Treasurer, reported that 34 ballots had been cast, and that H. B. Curtis, Esq., of Mt. Vernon, having received a majority of that number, is elected.

The Rev. Mr. Bronson from the Committee on Canons, made the following report, which, on motion, was laid upon the table.

The Committee on Canons would recommend the following alterations:

Sec. 8. Add "or be deemed expedient by the Board."

Sec. 2. Communicants changing their residence, and thus dissolving their connexion with any parish, shall be required to present certificates of good standing from their former pastor, or, in case of vacancy, from one of the wardens, before being enrolled as communicants in any Parish in this Diocese.

Your Committee can see no necessity for adding the proposed 12th section to Canon 1st.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. BRONSON, *Chairman,*

The Tellers appointed to collect the ballots for a Clerical Trustee of the General Theological Seminary, reported that 49 ballots had been cast, and that the Rev. Mr. Allen having a majority of that number, is elected.

President Douglass from the Committee on so much of the Bishop's address as relates to our Diocesan Institutions at Gambier, presented the following report, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That this Convention have listened with deep interest to that part of the Bishop's address, which relates to the progress of the effort for relieving the Diocesan Institutions at Gambier by voluntary contributions and the sale of College scrip,—and regarding as greatly to be deprecated the alternative which was to have been resorted to in

case this measure failed; we cannot but consider the encouraging circumstances under which it has been commenced, as furnishing an occasion of renewed thankfulness to that kind providence which has so signally sustained and blessed the Institution in times past.

Resolved, That in the further prosecution of this effort we recognize it as the bounden duty of this Diocese to realize fully the part assigned to it in the resolution of the Special Convention, and we would respectfully but urgently press it upon the patrons and friends of the Institution at large, that their co-operation and prayers cease not till the faithful labours of the Bishop and his agents be crowned with complete success, and the Institution relieved from all pecuniary embarrassment.

Resolved, That the zealous interest which has been manifested by the Patrons and friends of the Institution in its present emergency—actuated as it evidently has been by the apprehension that this noble domain would otherwise be exposed to sale, is, and ought to be regarded as a reiteration of their sentiment, *that the Lands should be held inviolate for the purposes for which they were originally set apart*, and that the Diocese as the trustee and steward on their behalf, is thus laid under a new and solemn obligation so to hold them.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Killin,

Resolved, That the Convention express to their Bishop their grateful sense of the importance and value of the Charge he has addressed to them, and request from him the publication of the same in any form he may think most expedient, so as to secure a thousand copies for the use of this Diocese.

Rev. Mr. Morse, from the Standing Committee on Missions, made the following report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee on Missions, in attempting a report as expected from them on a matter so plain, and a duty so important, and recognized by our own Church in a manner so explicit, feel somewhat embarrassed on account of the little material in their hands for a formal report. Beyond question we are pledged as a church to much more exertion, and exceeding more liberality than we have yet evinced. Called on to co-operate with God in promoting a plan which is the subject of prophecy, the theme of many and precious promises, for the accomplishment of which the Son of God descended from his throne in heaven to be a sojourner upon earth, and the promulgation of which in all nations was the subject of his last command; for the propagation of which the world itself is continued, and the consummation of which will be the happiness of myriads, an obedience the most ardent is the only proper answer.

Missions can no longer be regarded as an experiment. The astonishing success which has followed the efforts of those worthy men who have gone to the benighted regions of the earth, proclaiming aloud the abounding mercy of God, the glory of the gospel, and the blessedness of the work committed to the Church, proves this.—

While we would not regard success as the measure of duty, we may nevertheless take it as a gracious incitement to every good word and work. And it is a subject for devout thankfulness that God has made so many openings in order that his Church may fulfil her high commission. At home and abroad whitening fields invite laborers to the harvest. Every moment's delay is hazardous. Selfish inactivity in such times as the present must incur a terrible doom.

The amount raised by the effort on Quinquagesima Sunday is a sufficient proof of how much might be effected were we more frequently to urge on our Parishes the duty and privilege of co-operating in God's plan of mercy, and the solemn responsibility arising from both. A letter from the Secretary of the Domestic Committee has been placed in the hands of your Committee, requesting if possible a pledge of a definite sum or the amount which may be relied on from this Diocese for that department. We see no method for the securing of this desirable object, except that during the sitting of this Convention each parish pledge itself for a specific sum, and the aggregate of these sums be reported. This plan we would recommend. We would also briefly refer to the "*Spirit of Missions*," the only missionary periodical of our Church, as an admirable auxiliary in sustaining a missionary zeal among us. The Church needs to be startled from her slumbers with the facts therein narrated of the magnitude of the harvest and the alarming scarcity of laborers.

I. MORSE, *Chairman.*

Rev. Dr. Brooke, from the Committee appointed on so much of the Bishop's address as relates to the ordination of the Rev. Arthur Carey, in the Diocese of New York, made a Report, when on motion, the Convention went into Committee of the whole for the consideration of that report.

The Committee rose and reported to the house by their chairman, Rev. Mr. Bronson, that they have had under their consideration the following Preamble and Resolution, which they recommend for the adoption of the Convention.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's address which bears upon the recent ordination of the Rev. Arthur Carey, in making their report, beg leave to recommend to the Convention a hearty response to the sentiments of their diocesan, expressed as they deem them to be, in language at once decided and dignified, and in a spirit becoming the solemn importance of the subject. Your Committee think, that every candid mind in contemplating our ecclesiastical organization must perceive, that there are episcopal acts which although regulated in part by diocesan canons are also governed by general laws of the Church, and have a direct bearing on her common welfare. And while they deem it inexpedient for one Bishop or Diocese to reflect publicly and officially upon another for slight invasions of common church rights and interests; nevertheless when a Bishop, either intentionally, or unintentionally, contravenes principles

essential to the church, by clothing with ministerial authority any individual holding errors against which she has plainly protested, it becomes the right of any member of the church to express his disapprobation of such ordination in appropriate and christian terms. It is only by such a free expression of opinion that we can hope to restrain such evils, and arrive at that ultimate and decisive ecclesiastical action by which they may be effectually prevented. Studied silence in such a case, adopted as an expedient to preserve the peace of the church, is a sacrifice of essential purity to the mere appearance of unity. And to cover up important errors from dread of present collisions is to cherish the materials of a settled and thorough corruption, or of more violent and disruptive contention at some future day.

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:—

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, a misuse or abuse of the sacred right of ordination in one diocese, may be a proper subject of complaint and official animadversion in another.

Resolved, That the doctrines reputed to have been held by the Rev. Arthur Carey anterior to his ordination are such as in the unhesitating opinion of this Convention should disqualify any candidate from receiving holy orders in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Resolved, That the previous connection of Mr. Carey with the General Theological Seminary of the Church, and other facts developed in the history of his ordination, call upon the authorities in charge of that Institution to give the same a careful examination, and to make such reformation therein, as may render it effectually subservient to the principles of a Protestant Episcopal Church.

Resolved, That the Trustees of the General Seminary from this Diocese, be instructed, and the other Trustees of the said Seminary be respectfully requested to take such measures as may tend to secure the students of that Institution from the taints and corruptions of Romanism, and all other "erroneous and strange doctrines contrary to God's Word." All which is respectfully submitted,

JOHN T. BROOKE, *Chairman*.

On motion, the preceding Preamble and Resolution, as reported by the Committee, were unanimously adopted by the Convention.

On motion of President Douglass,

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary be requested to invite twelve gentlemen of the diocese, six clergymen and six laymen; to attend with them the regular examination of the Seminary and College, and report to the next Convention.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood submitted the following motion:

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of this Diocese be held on the first Thursday of September next.

Rev. Mr. Britton offered as an amendment, that all after the words "on the" be stricken out, and there be inserted the words, The 2nd Thursday in August.

The question being taken on the amendment, it was lost.

The question was then taken on the original motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood, and it passed in the affirmative.

On motion, Rev. Messrs. Smallwood and Killen and Mr. Fuller, were appointed a Committee to nominate a Missionary and Education Committee.

On motion the Convention adjourned till 4 o'clock P. M.

4 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After prayer the roll was called. The Committee to nominate the Missionary and Education Committee, reported the following names:

Rev. M. T. C. Wing,	D. B. Douglass,
Joseph Muenschers,	Geo. Browning,
Alfred Blake,	H. L. Thrall,
John Sandels,	M. White.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Missionary and Education Committee, when balloting being dispensed with the nomination of the Committee was confirmed.

The following report from the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Seminary, in compliance with the request of the Convention was presented, and on motion accepted, and ordered to be spread upon the Journal.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

In compliance with the resolution of the Convention calling for information respecting the receipts and expenditures of the Theological Seminary during the past year, the Board of Trustees respectfully report, that during the year ending Sept. 1, 1843, the total receipts and disbursements of the different departments have been as follows:

Kenyon College and Senior Preparatory Department.

Total amount paid for salaries of Officers and current expenses,	-	-	-	-	\$4,040 52
From which deduct Total receipts,	-	-	-	-	2,604 91
Leaving excess of expenditures,	-	-	-	-	\$1,435 61
<i>Milnor Hall.</i>					
Total receipts,	-	-	-	-	\$5,467 96
" expenditures,	-	-	-	-	4,176 33
Excess of receipts over expenditures,	-	-	-	-	\$1,291 63.

<i>Buildings, Farms, &c.</i>			
Total receipts,	-	-	\$2,992 20
Total expenditures,	-	-	1,928 67
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Excess of receipts,	-	-	\$1,063 53
Profits of Milnor Hall brought forward,	-	-	1,291 63
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			\$2,335 16
From which deduct the excess of expenditure in College department,	-	-	1,435 61
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Making the nett income from all departments,			\$919 55

All of which is respectfully submitted.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on Canons was taken up from the table and considered in detail.

On motion, so much of the report as relates to Canon 1, and to Canon 15, Sec. 1, was indefinitely postponed.

The question being taken on the proposed additional section to Canon 15, it passed in the affirmative.

The Report as amended was then adopted.

A motion was made to reconsider so much of a resolution passed this morning, as relates to the day of the week on which the next Convention shall be holden—which was negatived.

Mr. Bond from the Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer on the Episcopate Fund, made the following report:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE EPISCOPATE FUND.

The Committee appointed to ascertain and report upon the condition of the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate and the Treasurer's Account connected therewith, have attended to that duty, and now respectfully report,

That it appears by said report, that after deducting the sum of five hundred dollars voluntarily relinquished by the Bishop of the Diocese, there was still due to him at the close of the last Convention, on account of his salary for the last year, the sum of \$570 12. On reference to the Journal it will appear, that provision was made for raising that deficit, by equalizing an assessment on the several Parishes. And at the same time a similar assessment was made, with a view to meet the salary of the Episcopate for the present year.

The Convention is of course aware of the method prescribed for the collection of these assessments, and the Committee will only refer in connection with that subject, to the resolution of the last Convention requiring the several clergymen of the Diocese to state the

time as well as the amount of these collections in their respective annual Parochial Reports.

The Committee regret to state that the deficit in the fund, instead of being paid, has in reference to the year just ended, increased. And, admitting that the Bishop shall make a similar relinquishment to that of last year, the present deficit may be stated at \$770 12.

On reference to the Treasurer's Report, with a view to find where the delinquency exists, the Committee have pleasure in bearing testimony to the punctuality of a few of the Parishes; but they are constrained to say that a large majority of them have made default.— And even the collections made, have been so irregularly transmitted or delayed, that it is manifest the Bishop, if he depends on the same for his subsistence, (and the Committee are not aware of the contrary) must have been subjected to great inconvenience. These things ought not to be; and it is derogatory to the Church and to our Christian character, to submit to them. But where is the remedy? We can accomplish nothing by force or by legal remedies, nor is it desirable that we should. Christ himself taught by precept and example and by persuasive means only; and these are all the weapons which we ought to use. If the right spirit prevail, they are sufficient. Where is the default? The Committee are satisfied that the laity and the members of the Church generally, have failed to meet these assessments—these should be paid cheerfully and punctually.

The Clergy, however, have failed also, (with very few if any exceptions) in their Parish Reports, to state whether they complied with the requisitions of the Convention on this subject. Therein they have disregarded the resolution before alluded to. If at the proper time, this matter is aptly brought to the notice of the members of the Church, it is believed better results would follow. At all events, each clergyman would discharge himself from all censure in the matter, by making the requisite statement in his annual report. It is painful to have this subject brought before the Convention and spread on its Journal annually in a light so disparaging to the Diocese.

The sum required when assessed in the manner before stated, is but a pittance, yet it is withheld. Will not our brethren feel the necessity of placing our Diocesan above this continued state of beggary? The debt is one of positive duty, when our Christian relations are considered—it is no charity, but an absolute obligation. The time of our Bishop and that of every Clergyman is not only precious but is exclusively required for the great and holy work in which each is engaged. They are only permitted, nor should they be driven to the necessity of laboring in worldly concerns. And to be able to do their Master's work acceptably, their minds should be at ease and relieved from the anxiety incident to the providing of means for their daily bread.

The Committee cannot doubt, that if this matter shall be fully brought to the consideration of the members of the Church in the delinquent Parishes, the just expectations of the Convention will be

met in this matter. But this will only be done where each does his duty—both clergy and laity—It is useless to prescribe work, if the workman is not faithful.

The assessments already made are adequate if they were paid. Perhaps, in some few instances, the Parishes are unable to comply; but most of them undoubtedly have the ability, and it remains for the Clergy to report whether it is want of ability or the absence of the will which occasions this lamentable default. If this deficit continues to increase, each year will add to the difficulty in its payment, and in the mean time leave our Diocesan almost without the means of support.

The Committee can only appeal to their brethren as Christians. The laborer is worthy of his hire; but the value of the services of our Diocesan at this crisis, under the direction of Divine Providence is of infinite price. The Committee however, do not wish to place this matter on any ground personal to the present Diocesan, however able and faithful we all admit him to be. It is for the Convention and for the Parishes to consider whether they will have the usages and government of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Ohio.—If they desire to do so, they must provide at least a living for the Episcopate.

The Committee have made an assessment of such sums as they are advised the several Parishes can and ought to contribute towards the Episcopate Fund for the current year, and a statement of the same annexed hereto.

In conclusion, the Committee recommend the following resolutions for consideration:

1. *Resolved*, That the assessments made for the support of the Episcopate, as per statement annexed be and the same are hereby adopted for the current year.

2. *Resolved*, That the several Parishes now reported by the Treasurer as delinquent in paying the assessment made against such respectively by the last Convention, whether for a previous deficit or for the then current year's salary of the Bishop be, and they are hereby respectfully but earnestly urged to pay up such deficiency without delay; and the several clergymen of the said Parishes are hereby respectfully enjoined to bring this Report and Resolutions to the notice of their congregations respectively without delay, and to report the result together with the statement of the payments for the current year, as required by the resolution of the Convention for this purpose adopted.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. KEY BOND, *Chairman.*

ASSESSMENT FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE BISHOP.

Christ Church, Cincinnati,	\$200	St. Paul's, Columbus	20
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	125	St. Timothy's, Massillon,	60
Trinity, Cleveland.	100	St. Luke's, Marietta,	20
Trinity, Columbus,	90	St. Luke's, Granville,	40
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	85	Grace Church, Berkshire,	20
St. James., Zanesville,	85	St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon.	75

St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	15	Christ Church, Liverpool,	5
Christ Church, Springfield,	20	St. Andrew's, Elyria,	10
St. James', Painesville,	30	Trinity, Jefferson,	5
St. James', Boardman,	15	Trinity, Cincinnati,	5
St. Paul's, Steubenville,	50	St. Paul's, Greenville,	5
St. Paul's, Medina,	30	St. Paul's, Maumee,	25
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	30	Bethel, Boston,	5
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	60	St. John's, Dover,	5
St. Philip's, Strongsville,	10	St. Luke's, Columbia,	5
Grace Ch. Sandusky City,	25	Christ Church, Huron,	15
St. James', Piqua,	50	Christ Church, Franklin,	5
St. Matthew's, Madison,	10	Christ Church, Warren,	5
St. John's, Worthington,	20	Grace, Cincinnati,	15
St. Peter's, Delaware,	40	St. James', Wooster,	15
St. John's, Ohio City,	40	St. John's, Springfield,	5
Trinity, Newark,	55	St. Mark's, Newton Falls,	10
St. Philip's, Circleville,	75	St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,	10
Trinity, Troy,	10	St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	50
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	35	All Saints', Portsmouth,	50
Christ Church, Dryton,	40	St. James', Cross Creek,	20
Granville Female Seminary,	10	St. Stephen's, Grafton,	5
Trinity, Lyme,	10	St. Paul's, Akron,	15

While the subject matter of the report was under discussion, the Convention, on motion; adjourned till 7½ o'clock.

7 1-2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. The subject matter of the report on the Episcopal Fund was resumed. The question being taken on each of the resolutions contained in the report, they were severally adopted. The entire report was then, on motion, adopted.

The Committee of Finance made the following report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee of Finance having examined the Treasurer's Account in relation to the Contingent Fund of the Convention, and having ascertained the demands which will be made upon this fund during the year to come, find that a small increase of the Parish tax will be necessary.

The additional sum wanted is now put upon the more able Parishes, while the poorer Parishes, some of which have been taxed beyond a fair proportion, remain the same. To meet the contingent expenses of the Convention the ensuing year, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following Assessment;

ASSESSMENT FOR CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

Trinity Church, Columbus,	\$20	St Paul's, Cincinnati,	25
St. James', Zanesville,	15	St. John's, Worthington,	5
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	15	St. James', Piqua,	12
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	10	St. Paul's, Steubenville,	12
St. James', Boardman,	5	St. James', Cross Creek,	6
All Saints', Portsmouth,	10	St. Paul's, Medina,	7
St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,	1	St. Peter's, Delaware,	10
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	2	Grace, Ch. Berkshire,	3
St. Matthew's, Perry,	2	St. Stephen's, Grafton,	3
Christ Ch., Cincinnati,	50	St. Matthew's, Hamilton,	1

St. Philip's, Circleville,	10	Trinity, Jefferson,
Trinity, Troy,	3	St. John's, Wakeman,
St. Luke's, Granville,	8	St. Stephen's; East-Liverpool.
Trinity Ch., Newark,	12	St. Paul's, Maumee City.
St. Luke's, Marietta,	5	Trinity, Toledo,
Trinity Ch., Cleveland,	23	Bethel, Boston,
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	7	St. Philip's, Strongsville,
Christ Church, Dayton,	10	St. John's, Dover,
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	16	St. Paul's, Akron,
Zion Church, Dresden,	1	Christ Ch. Springfield,
St. James', Wooster,	5	St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,	2	St. Luke's, Columbia,
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	7	Grace Ch. Sandusky City.
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	6	St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,
St. Michael's, Unionville,	2	Christ Ch., Huron,
St. John's Ch., Ohio City,	9	St. Matthew's, Madison,
St. Timothy's, Massillon,	12	Christ Ch. Franklin,
St. John's, Lancaster,	2	Christ Ch., Warren,
Trinity, Lyme,	1	St. Matthew's, Plymouth,
Christ Ch., Liverpool,	2	Christ Church, Hudson,
St. James', Painesville,	7	Trinity, Cincinnati,
St. Andrew's, Elyria,	4	St. Paul's, Columbus,

Respectfully submitted,

A. GUION, *Chairman*

On motion of Rev. Mr. Muenscher,

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary be requested to desire the Rt. Rev. Bishop Chase, the fourth and first President of that Institution, and the Rt. Rev. Bishop Ilvaine, its present head, to sit for their portraits, to be placed in Library of the Seminary.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds,

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention are due to the congregation of Harcourt Parish, the citizens of Gambier and its vicinity for their hospitality and kindness to the members of this Convention and that they are hereby affectionately tendered.

Rev. Mr. Bronson moved that 400 copies of the Journal be published, and that the Bishop, the Secretary, and Rev. J. Wing, be a committee to superintend its publication.

Mr. Reynolds moved to strike out 400 and to insert 750 which was negatived.

Mr. Smallwood moved that 500 be substituted for 400, which was passed in the affirmative.

The minutes were read and approved. After which the Convention united in singing and prayer.

On motion the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,

Bishop of the Diocese

Attest,

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHRIST CHURCH, DAYTON,

REV. ETHAN ALLEN, RECTOR.

The Rev. Ethan Allen, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton, reports to the Bishop, that during the past year, one of the communicants of his charge has died, and 15 been added, 5 of which were by removals into parish, making the present number 63. The baptisms have been seven, of which number 2 were adults. Funerals 2. Communicant's offerings, \$66 32, of which \$40 have been appropriated to the Bishop's Salary. About \$650 have been raised for parochial purposes, besides the Rector's Salary. During a season of prevalent religious excitement and revival, many seemed for a season to have become deeply serious about their eternal salvation. But no one of them whose impressions were then commenced has been added to the communion, and do not now seem prepared to do so. But our prayer to our Father in Heaven still is—thy kingdom come—for thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory.

REV. NORMAN BADGER,

Reports, that his time, during the year, has been almost entirely occupied in discharging the duties connected with his station in Milnor Hall. Several of the youth connected with the school, the past year, it is believed, have become truly the children of God.

TRINITY CHURCH, TROY.

REV. ALMON C. BARNES, RECTOR.

When my connection began with this parish in November last, there were but 13 Communicants. The Sunday School had entirely gone down. But through the blessing of God, during the past winter and spring, the Church has been much revived. Additions 12. Baptised, adults 3, Infants 0, Married 0, Funerals 0. The Sunday School Teachers 6. Scholars 25.

St. Paul's Church, Greenville, has shared in occasional services.

HARCOURT PARISH, GAMBIER.

REV. ALFRED BLAKE, RECTOR.

Rev. A. Blake reports to the Bishop, that he has resigned the Rectorship of Harcourt Parish; to take effect on the arrival of the Rev. S. Fuller, D. D., who has been unanimously elected to fill the vacancy.

Since the last Convention—Baptisms, Adults 2, Infants 3, Confirmations 9, Communicants added, between 15 and 20.—whole number about 100.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHILLICOTHE.**REV. JAMES B. BRITTON, RECTOR.**

The Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, respectfully reports to the Bishop, the state of his parish during the past Conventional year.

2 marriages have been solemnized by him, and one by the Rev. Mr. Peet, the former Rector; 12 children and 10 adults have been baptised; 4 funerals have been attended; 44 persons have been confirmed; 51 have been added to the communion, from which 1 was temporarily suspended, and 12 communicants have removed, making the present number of communicants 95—which is about double the number at the commencement of the year. Many of these are valuable accessions on the score of an influential piety, and give great occasion for rejoicing, although not without trembling.

About 50 families are regarded as connected with the parish. The Sunday School has 108 names of children on its books, and 28 teachers, but is fluctuating. On the 4th of July, there were in procession 105 children and 39 teachers, whilst on Sunday last only 44 children and 10 teachers were present; the regular lesson during the year has been the collect and gospel of the day, and the children of the parish have been generally catechized the first Sunday of the month.

Services have been performed during the year at Pomeroy, Richmondale, and in the country, also in Wheeling and Cincinnati.

Contributions have been as follows:—Communion offerings \$143 74, Institutions at Gambier 900, Bishop's salary 60, Parish assessment 12, Sunday School and Bible class books 20, Weekly offerings 35 27, Children's offerings for African Missions 6 64, Children's offerings for Christmas, Domestic Missions \$9 25, Domestic Missions, appropriated 75, Bible Society 10, Church at Springfield 10. Besides these a Parsonage has been erected which is now in the occupancy of the Rector, and which with out-buildings will cost about \$2000. From these statistics the Rector has reason to thank God and take courage, whilst the spiritual state of the parish was also more encouraging during the past winter, and although now not specially so, he trusts will be so again when the dew of the Lord shall again be abundantly vouchsafed us.

BETHEL CHURCH, BOSTON.**REV. ABRAHAM BRONSON, RECTOR.**

During the past year I have steadily performed about half the regular services for this Parish,—Mr. Phelps the other half. The congregation has materially increased, and become more consolidated and established. The Ladies' Sewing Society is in active operation, and has raised for the Church and charitable objects 32 dollars. The Parish has raised 4 dollars for the Bishop, 5 dollars for Foreign Missions, and 3 dollars for Missions in the Diocese.

Communicants, (3 removed 1 added,) 28. Baptisms, (1 adult, 2 children,) 3. Marriages 2. Burials 4. Sunday School scholars about 20. I have also spent 5 Sundays in Hudson.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GRANVILLE.**REV. S. A. BRONSON, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—Infants 5, Adults 3, total 8. Confirmed 10. Communicants added from other churches 2, from the congregation 15, removals 5, withdrawn 2, suspended 1, present number 62. Marriages 5. Funerals 1. Sunday School's catechetical class as heretofore reported. The Rector has preached in other places 13 times.

The Female Seminary under the pastoral care of the Rector, continues to be ably and faithfully conducted, and has exerted during the past year, a wholesome religious influence, and been favored with the blessing of the Holy Spirit.

CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. JOHN T. BROOKE, D. D., RECTOR.

The Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati, reports as follows: Baptisms—Adults 4, Infants 37, total 41. Marriages 13. New communicants added 14, added on certificate 10, total 24. Present number of communicants 164.

Average monthly contributions about \$1000 00. Benevolent contributions from Ladies' Sewing Society and in other modes \$400 00. Subscriptions for the relief of Kenyon College \$3,300 00.

REV. JOHN L. BRYAN'S REPORT.

Rev. John L. Bryan, Missionary, reports to the Bishop, that he has since November last, officiated one half of his time in Christ Church, Windsor, one fourth at St. James' Batavia, and one fourth at St. Peter's, Rome, during the past summer. Windsor and Batavia still continue to be unpromising fields of labor—but few in either place stately attending the solemn ordinances of Religion—those few, however, he believes to be firmly attached to the principles of the Church: and looking to the promises of God, he would still hope against hope, that they may yet arise from the dust.

At Rome, he is happy to say, the prospect is encouraging—several there have resolved to devote themselves to God in the sacred rite of confirmation.

Statistics—Windsor, Marriages 3, Funerals 2, Communicants 20. Batavia, Marriages 1, Baptism 1 infant, Communicants 15. Rome, Baptism 1 adult, infants 2, Funeral 1, Communicants 12.

N. B. At Harts Grove he has not preached, on account of there being no place to meet in when a vacant Sunday has occurred.

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH.

REV. ERASTUS BURR, RECTOR.

On referring to my Parochial Register, I find the following statistics viz: Baptisms, Adults 2, Infants 8—10. Marriages 2. Funerals 3. Communicants died 1, removed 4 added 16—present number 106. Sunday Scholars 160—Teachers 26.

The parish has suffered much from its not having been favored with its usual Episcopal visitation. Our past experience of the benefits of annual visits from the Bishop, is such that we are reconciled to the loss only in consideration of the present more pressing demands upon his time.

The Congregation is steadily increasing in number, and we trust also in purity. They have recently supplied themselves with a large and very sweet toned Organ.

Contributions—To General Missions \$30 00. To Diocesan 25cts. To the American Bible Society 40 00. To Kenyon College 600 00.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OHIO CITY.

REV. WILLIAM M. BURTON, RECTOR.

I entered upon the duties of this Parish on the first of January last. The congregation had for several months been destitute of the services of a Clergyman, and had consequently become quite scattered. There has been a considerable increase in attendance upon the

services, and a degree of interest and attention manifested, leading us to hope, that in due season, we shall reap if we faint not, and that He of whom only it is, that men are in Christ Jesus, is about to bring sinners here into the ark of Christ's Church, and to build up in their most holy faith, those who already belong to that goodly fellowship of God's faithful people.

There have been added to the list of Communicants 3; removed 5; died 3; withdrawn 6; stricken from the list 1; present number 61.

Of those who have withdrawn all, I believe, with one or two exceptions, had withdrawn or made their engagements to withdraw, before I took charge of the Parish, and while it was destitute of a clergyman.

Burials 3; Baptisms, Infants 7; Adults 2—9; Marriages, 1 for the Rev. Mr. Bury, of Trinity Church, Cleveland, in his absence. The Ladies' Society has raised about \$100 for the interests of the Parish. Contributions to the Missionary Society \$9,56; Communion offerings 20 90.

TRINITY CHURCH, CLEVELAND.

REV. RICHARD BURY, RECTOR.

The Parochial report of Trinity Church, Cleveland, for the past year, is as follows:—Baptisms, (adults 5, infants 14,)—19. Communicants added 31, removed by death or otherwise 27; present number about 150. Marriages 10. Funerals 30. Sunday Scholars average attendance say 70 to 90—list, more numerous. One superintendent and about 15 teachers.

Alms for the Poor collected at the Holy Communion \$98 00. Appropriated for Sunday School Books \$39 91. Support of Episcopate, and ready for use \$90 00. For Domestic Committee and General Missions \$27 00. Diocesan fund \$20 00, Provision for payment of old Parish debt by sale of pews in fee, at least \$3000 00. On account of which, the amount thus far subscribed for the Institutions at Gambier, is not as large as it otherwise would have been, present amount, however, is at least 500 dollars in three scholarships, and other less amounts.

With regard to the religious estate of the Parish, it is to be hoped that while there is an encouraging attendance upon the preached word and ordinances of the Lord, the letter is not wholly unaccompanied by the spirit.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, CIRCLEVILLE.

REV. ANSON CLARK, RECTOR.

The Rector presents the following report to the Convention: Communicants added 10; Removed 10; Omitted 2; Died 4—present number 89. Baptisms, Infants 11, Adults 1—12. Funerals 8. Marriages 3. Confirmed 6.

The removals by death and otherwise among the communicants of this parish, have exceeded the number added, so that our communion list is some smaller than when last reported. This, however, by no means betokens any decay in the effective strength of the parish, or any retrograde movement in its real prosperity either externally or spiritually. The Rector is happy to say that he has no reason to feel otherwise than encouraged with regard to this portion of the Lord's work committed to him, as well as devoutly thankful for many tokens of Divine approbation which have rested upon his labors.

Amount contributed to Episcopate during the year \$85 00. For Missions 66 62½. Paid by Doddridge & Co., to constitute the Rector a Life Member of the American Bible Society 80 00.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ELYRIA.

REV. G. S. DAVIS, RECTOR.

Rev. G. S. Davis, was called to this Parish first of October eighteen hundred and forty two—since which time I have labored here. The following services have been performed:

Adult baptisms 3; Infant 1; received to the Church by profession 5; old members 24—present number 32. Organized a Church at Pittsfield, of twelve members. Baptized 2 adults and 3 infants; have performed services there 9 times, Black River 10 times, Dover, administered the Communion, performed services 8 times, Grafton 3 times, Brighton I, at Peninsula assisting brother Phelps, performed service 9 times, and at other places five times. Attended the Convocation at Grafton, Medina, Norwalk, Wooster.

Upon the whole our labors here and elsewhere have been blest. The Church in this place is increasing in numbers and interest.

Collections the past year—Domestic Missions \$11 63. Diocesan Missions \$5 00. Dover, Domestic Missions \$1 37.

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBUS.

REV. A. F. DOBB, RECTOR.

Baptisms, adults 7, infants 17, total 24; marriage 1; funerals 10; confirmed 33; communicants added new 36, from other churches 12, withdrawn so far as ascertained for the purpose of uniting with St. Paul's Church 24, removed 2, returned 3, present number 120 Sunday Scholars white and colored about 200, Teachers, 30; Bible class 75 members; contributions to missionary and other purposes about \$500 00. The Ladies' Missionary and Bible and Prayer-Book Societies still persevere in their labors; a Dorcas Society has also done much good during the year. The Church edifice is at present undergoing repairs and enlargement, which will render it one of the most commodious in the Diocese; expected cost about \$300 00.

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK.

REV. GEO. DENISON, RECTOR.

This Parish continues in a prosperous condition. Baptisms, infants 25, adult 1—26. Communicants reported last year 77, added by Record 13, added on profession 14—104. Removed 2, died 2—at present on Record 100. Confirmed 18. Marriages 8. Funerals 8.

This Parish has paid this year to the Diocesan and Episcopate funds \$51 75.

This Church is in a united and happy state, nor is there a communicant, known to be, in the slightest degree contaminated with the "Varioloid Romanism" of Oxford or New York. God grant they never may be!

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, DELAWARE.

The Bishop is respectfully informed that this Parish being at present vacant, Mr. James Campbell, a resident candidate for Holy Orders has, for the last two months, performed the duties of Lay-reader to a numerous and constant attendance of worshippers. During the past year there have been added to the list of communicant 5; removed by death and otherwise 2, leaving the number 75. The register likewise records 5 persons confirmed, 2 infant and 2 adult baptisms, 6 Funerals and 3 Marriages. The Sabbath School numbers about 80 scholars, and its condition is encouraging. There are 18 diligent and faithful Teachers. The sum of \$9 has been this week paid by the Ladies' Missionary Society of Delaware, to the cause of Missions.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WORTHINGTON.

REV. R. S. ELDER, RECTOR,

Respectfully reports to the Bishop, that his parish continues in a flourishing state. The congregations are gradually increasing, and the interest manifested in the services of the Church very encouraging.

The statistics of the parish are as follows: Communicants added 1, removed 3, present number 48. Baptisms, infants 9, adult 1—10. Marriages 3. Burials 3.

Collected in the parish the past year—for Missions about \$20 00; for Episcopate 16 00; for Contingent Expenses 5 00; for Sunday School Library 18 00; by the Ladies Fair for the parsonage 100 00—total \$157 00. There is a large and well conducted Sunday School connected with parish, which numbered the past summer 80 scholars, average during the year 65 or 70; also a Bible class of 15 to 20 members.

The Rector has been engaged the past year in the discharge of his duties in this parish without any interruption from ill health or other causes; he has preached regularly in his own church, and held from two to three lectures per week in different parts of the parish.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BOARDMAN.

REV. J. T. EATON, RECTOR.

Rev. J. T. Eaton reports—Baptisms 2 infants, (one of them in Youngstown); Marriages 2; Communicants removed 2, present number 48. These communicants are scattered over three townships, and are most of them poor. In consequence of the inability of the parish to support its minister, his condition during the past year has been extremely painful and embarrassing.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, GALLIA COUNTY.

REV. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, RECTOR.

Rev. Abraham Edwards reports to the Bishop, that during the past year there have been added to the number of communicants 10, removed three, present number 71, Baptisms Infants 8, marriages 5, Burials 6, Sunday Scholars 60, Teachers 8.

He reports that during the year he has preached twice and sometimes three times on every Lord's day with the exception of two Sabbaths, one of which he has spent in assisting Rev. Mr. Goodrich to hold a two day's meeting at Point Pleasant, and the other he has spent at Cincinnati, where he has preached for his countrymen. He has also delivered a lecture once a week to his congregation.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, LOWER SANDUSKY.

REV. WILLIAM FAGG, RECTOR.

Reports, that returning from last convention he remained at Wooster till the first of November; being prevented from preaching a great part of the time by sickness.

On the first of November I took charge of St. Paul's parish, Lower Sandusky. This parish had been organized but a few months previous. The services of our Church had been held there, only some eight or ten times. I found there two communicants of the Episcopal Church—quite a large, and a very attentive congregation—and a very inconvenient place to worship in.

After preaching regularly about three months, I was obliged to suspend my duties partially, on account of a disease in the throat, which growing worse, I was advised and found it necessary to desist altogether. Since the first Sunday in July I have not preached at all. There have been added to the communion of the Church, making the present number 5. I have attended 4 funerals, and celebrated one marriage. The Vestry and the friends of the Church, are now exerting all their power, to provide for us a more convenient place in which to worship.

A lot has been purchased in a very good and conspicuous place, and a Church edifice of brick, 42 by 60, with a vestry room in the rear—to be finished in the Gothic style, and to cost between three and four thousand dollars, is now in rapid progress, and will probably

was completed early in the spring. This good work, finished, will give the Episcopal Church in Lower Sandusky very great and superior advantages. And we cannot but think that with the blessing of God it will prosper.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CUYAHOGA FALLS.

REV. T. B. FAIRCHILD, RECTOR.

The Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls, reports the state of his parish as follows:—Baptisms—adults 8, infants 4—12. Communicants received 17. Removed 9. Died 3. Stricken off for non attendance 1. Present number 73. Marriages 6. Burials 7. Contributed for Missions \$18 00. For Theological Seminary 40 00. For Episcopate 30 00. For contingent 7 00—total \$95 00.

He has also preached at Hudson 22 times, and reports the following as the state of Christ Church at that place:—Baptised adults 8, infants 8—16. Communicants 30.

The condition of these parishes is every way encouraging, and although the number of communicants in St. John's is one less than last year, yet the removals to Hudson have been the reason, and while one Church numbers less, the whole number in the two parishes shows an increase of 29 members. It is to be sincerely hoped, that some person may be found to take charge of Christ Church, Hudson, as being one of the most important posts in the whole country.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, AKRON.

REV. L. N. FREEMAN, RECTOR.

This Parish may now be considered as *permanently* established. Since the last Convention, there has been raised in the parish and among the friends of our Zion in the East such amount of funds as justified the Vestry to undertake to build, the present season, a suitable house of worship, and hence, they contracted with a responsible man for building a neat, commodious Church, 40 feet wide by 60 long, with a tower in front, which is now in course of erection, and will be completed ready for consecration by the first of December next.

Through their commendable zeal, the Ladies have raised about \$80, towards purchasing carpeting and lamps for the Church. In spiritual things we are not without some encouragement. There have been added to the list of communicants 31, died or removed 10—present number 75. Baptisms, infants 2, adults 4. Funerals 4. Marriages 3. Contributions to the Episcopate \$15; to the convention fund \$3; to Domestic Missions 7 45; to parish purposes 20 00. (My Missionary services have been rendered at Franklin.)

REV. JOHN FOSTER.

The Rev. John Foster, residing in Lebanon, reports to the Bishop, that the year past he has been mostly occupied in teaching. He has, however, preached occasionally in Lebanon and its vicinity, and twice in Hamilton.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.

REV. ALVAH GUION, RECTOR.

Baptisms, Adults 6, Infants 4, total 10. Communicants added 13, removed 1, present number 67. Marriages 2. Funerals 2, (and 2 in the Parish of Christ Church, Huron.) Sunday School Teachers 8, Scholars 39. Contributed towards the support of the Episcopate \$24. For Missions 28 22,—and for the Diocesan Seminary 116 00. Our Lent services three in each week, and daily during Passion week, were well attended, and have

evidently been blessed to this Church, so much in need of the enlightening, purifying & sanctifying influences of the Holy Spirit.

Beside my duties in Norwalk, I have preached every second Sunday in Monroeville, where there are a number of persons who manifest a lively interest in the Church. I have preached twice in Lower Sandusky, (and administered the Holy Communion for the first time in that new Parish,) thrice in Huron, once in Sandusky City, thrice in Medina, once on board of a Steam Boat detained by high wind on her way up the Lake, and ten times in other places. A small portion of my time has been spent to raise funds in the North West Convocation, towards the relief of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, and Keny College.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MEDINA.

REV. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, RECTOR.

Rt. Rev. Sir—In compliance with my duty, I send you my report for the year ended September 6, 1843. After revising my list of Communicants, in accordance with a resolution of our last Convention, relating to persons absenting themselves from the Communion I find the statistics of my Parish to be as follows:

Communicants 102. Baptisms, 1 adult, 2 children—Marriages 3. Funerals, 3 Communicants, 1 child—4. Sabbath Scholars 54; teachers 10. We have raised for the Episcopate \$30. For parish dues 7. For Missions 20—and subscribed for the College I believe 103. We have also a Ladies' aid Society, the proceeds of which have been applied to paying off our Church debt.

Since last April I have devoted $\frac{1}{2}$ of my time to St. Luke's, Columbia; and have held service twice in Strongville; also spent 1 Sabbath in Brighton, where I found a few who were very anxious to have our Clergy come among them. I have also preached once in Pittsford by way of visit.

I here subjoin the reports of Columbia and Strongville. Columbia, Communicants 5 Baptisms 2. The Ladies' aid Society of this place has raised 33 50, and applied to the former ministers. For the Episcopate 5, and 1 parish dues. Strongville, Communicants 17. The Church edifice is in a course of forwardness: it is expected to be in readiness for consecration this winter, or early in the spring.

A good faithful, self-denying Clergyman is much needed here. If we could have an itinerant one that would take Dover, and Columbia, and Strongville, and some other places, might expect to save these parishes and form more, but at present I think it doubtful. Could not the General Domestic Committee aid in this matter?

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, CROSS CREEK.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, MISSIONARY.

During the past year, this parish has suffered considerably from the death of some of its principal members. I have continued my week day services in various parts of the parish with considerable encouragement. We are not making any great advances; but on the whole, I consider our affairs to be in a prosperous condition. The vestry have enclosed the Church yard, (one acre of land) with a neat and substantial board fence.

Marriages 3. Funerals 5. Baptisms, Infants 3. Communicants added 7, removed 3, total 85. Contributions to Diocesan Missions \$20 72 $\frac{1}{2}$. Episcopate 12 00.

ST. ALBAN'S, DEERSVILLE, HARRISON COUNTY,

REV. RICHARD GRAY, MISSIONARY.

I found this congregation almost annihilated through the want of ministerial supervision. They have a small, but neat Church, nearly finished and free from debt. The members

poor, but firmly attached to the Church. I have preached to them several times on the week day, and once administered the communion. Communicants, 7. Contributed towards Diocesan Missions, \$1 50.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, JEFFERSON COUNTY.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, MISSIONARY.

Upon the retirement of the late Missionary, I offered to preach to this congregation every fourth Sunday. This I have been able to accomplish, besides frequently officiating on the week-day. But they need much more frequent services, to make any considerable progress, than I am able to give. The Bible Class is well attended.

Baptisms, infant, 2. Funerals 3. Contributed towards Diocesan Missions, \$4 67½; towards the Episcopate, 3 60.

I have visited St. Clairsville, Belmont county, a few times, and preached in the neighborhood. The parish is making another effort to obtain part of the services of a minister. This is one of the oldest parishes in the State, with a Church free from debt, and twenty communicants. The wealthy members are nearly all dead or removed, and the few that remain, are sheep without a shepherd.

Besides these places, I have exchanged occasionally with my brethren in the neighborhood, and preached wherever Providence has opened a door.

TRINITY CHURCH, JEFFERSON.

REV. JOHN HALL.

After my return from last Convention, I performed in Trinity Church, Jefferson, 5 services with 5 sermons. Administered the holy Communion twice to five communicants belonging to the parish and to several more belonging to other parishes. Solemnized one Marriage, and visited all the families—some of them several times. This parish, I am informed, is doing very well under the conduct of a lay-reader.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, UNIONVILLE.

In St. Michael's, Unionville, 6 services with 6 sermons and lectures. Holy Communion once in public and twice to sick persons, at home. Baptized 3 children, one of them at Ashtabula. Visited all the families and catechised the children. Attended the funeral of one child. The number of Families and of Communicants, so far as known, nearly the same as last year. Several candidates are desirous of confirmation. This scattered flock are suffering much for want of a pastor.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

In St. Matthew's, Plymouth, 8 services with 8 sermons. Catechised the children; administered the holy Communion twice, and admitted one new communicant. Solemnized one Marriage. Visited the families, nearly all. There are many *good* people in this parish too destitute of moral courage to resist the evil. My services were well and respectfully attended by a goodly number, and no member of the Church treated the minister with *open* disrespect. Yet the growth of this vine is manifestly checked entirely by the old worm at the root. Happy, and thankful to God should I be, could this worm be dug out and destroyed, and the vine restored to vigorous spiritual life and fruitfulness. I would again solicit the Bishop to send them a minister, did I not think it better respectfully to suggest to the chief minister the expediency of his first coming to examine the *foundations* for him-

self. This is a finely located field, which, could there be fewer tares in it, might yield an abundant harvest. God be pleased to hasten this in his own time.

My engagements with the above mentioned parishes, terminated with the year 1842.— Since the commencement of A. D. 1843, with the exception of one Funeral and two Baptisms at Unionville, and two visits to a sick member of that parish; and one service with a sermon at the Convocation in Painesville, and two services with two sermons, by exchange with brother Varian, I have confined my labors to St. Peter's, Ashtabula, as follows.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ASHTABULA.

(Including the latter part of 1842, since last Convention) 100 services and 100 sermons and lectures on Sundays and the other holy days. Baptisms of adults 15, of infants 6—21. Holy Communion 36 times on Sundays and on Christmas day. Catechised the children on nearly all the saint's days. Visited the sick and the whole—Sought God's gracious and ready help, without which no good thing can be done; and labored hard. I have been, by the wise providence of God, detained from public service by sickness and other impediments for 5 Sundays and 3 or 4 other holy days, the present year.

Statistics:—Families 44; Baptized persons 229; Baptized adults, males of 21 years and upwards 39, females of 18 years and upwards 61—100; Baptisms, 15 adult, 6 infant—21; Communicants, died 1, removed 4, repelled 1, added 12—100, Marriage 1; Funerals, 1 child, 2 adults—3.

The Apostolic doctrine "Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers," but "marry whom ye will, only in the Lord;" has been advocated, and "great searchings of heart" have been produced. A goodly number of candidates for confirmation are in readiness. We have had more calls than usual for the use of the occasional prayers and thanksgivings, optional with individuals. We trust that we have some increase of genuine Christian piety. To God be the glory.

J. HALL, Minister.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MILL CREEK.

REV. JOHN HENSHAW, MISSIONARY.

Regular services half the time, also preaching once a month on a week evening in a school-house four miles from this Church. Baptisms, infants 5. Funerals 6; two of them belonging to other denominations. Confirmed, 10. Communicants, last year 40; withdrawn 1, removed 5—6; added, new ones, 7; from abroad 4—11; present number 45. On the Bishop's salary, \$8 00. Communion alms, 10 10. To Missions, 1 65. Contingent expenses; 25 cts. To the Theological Seminary, \$100 00.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, MADISON, MUSKINGUM CO.

Regular services once a month since Easter. Baptisms, 1 infant. Communicants added, new, 1; from another denomination 1: by removal 3—5; present number, 19. On the Bishop's salary for last year \$5 00, for this year 10 00. Contingent expenses 3 00.

Eastport and Newport in Tuscarawas county, had regular services one-fourth of the time till Easter. Communicants at the latter place, 8.

Evansburg and Buckhorn (seven miles apart) have had preaching every fourth Sunday, also week-day preaching once in four weeks. At the former place, Baptisms, adults 2, Communicants, new ones 3; from the Mill Creek congregation 4; whole number 8. At Buckhorn, Baptisms, 2 infants. 1 Marriage. 1 Funeral. Communicants 8. There is a prospect of an increase of communicants at both of the above places, if preaching be continued among them.

At George Freland's, near Birmingham in Guernsey county, has been preaching three times on week-days; in which neighborhood it seems that a dozen or twenty communicants might soon be gathered together, if the services of a clergyman could be had on the Sabbath.

ST. MATTHEW'S, PERRY.

REV. L. L. HOLDEN, DEACON,

Reports, that since his ordination in April last, he has supplied St. Matthew's Church, Perry, one half of the time and Baptized 5 children. The number of communicants has in that parish not increased since the last Convention. Present number 22. Deaths 1.

He also reports that he has preached four times in Gambier, twice at Delaware, twice at Utica, twice at Circleville, twice at Coshocton, and four times at Mill Creek.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PIQUA.

REV. R. F. KILLIN, RECTOR.

The past has been a year of goodness and mercy, distinguished by almost constant tokens of Divine favor. Effects have followed the preaching of the gospel which have far outstripped our brightest expectations. The following are the statistics of the parish:—Added to the Communion 30, removed 3, deceased 2, suspended 2,—present number 95. Marriages 3; Baptisms, adults 10, infants 7,—total 17. Confirmations 18. Funerals 5. Contributions to Missions, \$115 00; to Kenyon College, 535 00; to Bible Society to constitute the Rector a life member, 30 00; to the Episcopate 51 00; Contingent expenses 8 00; Parish Library 20 00.—Total \$759 00. During the past year, the Ladies of the parish have formed a Missionary Society, which promises to act with efficiency.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MAUMEE CITY.

REV. J. S. LARGE, RECTOR AND MISSIONARY,

Reports, that since last Convention his time has been divided between Maumee, Toledo, Perrysburg and Manhattan. Services have been held at Maumee once every Sabbath and part of the time, twice. At Toledo, for the last three months, we have had services every Sabbath afternoon. Latterly the services at Perrysburg and Manhattan have been only occasional.

Baptisms, at Maumee 3 adults, 6 children; at Manhattan 1 adult, 2 children; at Toledo 2 adults—Total 15. Funerals, at Manhattan 1; at Perrysburg 1; at Toledo 4. Marriage at Maumee 1. Communicants, at Maumee at last report 30, lost by death 1, by removal 5, since added from other places 6, new Communicants 14—present number 44. Communicants at Toledo 6; at Perrysburg 2; at Manhattan 4. Contributions at Maumee for Missions and other charitable purposes, \$31 80; support of the Episcopate 19 00 There have been no contributions at the other places.

CHRIST CHURCH, HURON.

REV. S. MARKS, RECTOR.

Baptisms—Adults 10, infants 9, total 19. Communicants (admitted) added 11, present number 26. Marriages 4. Burials 10—preaching on such occasions *always*. The children's exercises are continued to advantage. The Church was opened during Passion week, and great good resulted from the observance of the season. Services have been rendered to Milan, Florence, New Haven and other places. Our Sunday School is in successful operation. For all his mercies, God's holy name be praised. In justice to myself, I ought

not to omit to state, that this parish is suffering every thing from emigration, and unless aided by the Bishop, must be lost to the Church. It is an important station, and should be held if possible. The Rector, however, unwilling to declare it, is very much straightened in a pecuniary point of view. Paid—contingent fund \$4 00.

CHRIST CHURCH, LIVERPOOL.

REV. J. MAYO, RECTOR.

The following annual report of the parish of Christ Church, Liverpool, is respectfully submitted to the Rt. Rev. the Bishop in Convention :

The duties of this parish have alone occupied my attention during the past year. Number of Communicants 20. Baptisms 1. Marriages 1. Amount collected at the Communion table eight dollars and one cent.

REV. A. T. MC'MURPHY, DEACON,

Reports that having received ordination on the 4th of June last, at Mt. Vernon, he preached at the same place, on the afternoon of the same day. Whence he proceeded to Cincinnati and preached at St. Paul's Church the following Sunday, and on the morning of the succeeding Lord's day, at Christ Church. After which he went to supply the pulpit of the Rev. Mr. Clark, at Circleville, during his absence to the East. After leaving Circleville he preached the two Sundays preceding the Convention at Berkshire, for the Rev. Mr. Sturges.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STEUBENVILLE.

REV. INTREPID MORSE, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 22, adults 5—27. Communicants removed 13, died 6, struck off the list for non attendance 3, added 12—102. Marriages 4. Funerals 12. Sunday School scholars and catechumens 75. Contributions, Sunday offerings for Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions \$4 19. Additional by a young lady for the education of a heathen child in Africa \$20. Towards the support of the Episcopate 44 90. Contingent expenses of Convention 10. For relief of the Theological Seminary 56. Tuition in advance by an individual for a scholarship in Kenyon College Grammar School 120. Also by the praiseworthy exertions of ladies belonging to the parish, the church has been painted inside, and a new Sunday school library procured from our depository in New York.

The Rector has performed divine service and preached principally in neighboring congregations twenty times, married one couple, and attended two funerals, since the last annual convention. His chief regret is, that so little fruit appears from his labors either at home or abroad.

It will be seen from the above statistics that deaths and removals from the parish have somewhat diminished the number of our communicants: It may further be observed that these causes, together with the general pecuniary embarrassment which prevails, have much reduced the ability of this congregation to support *adequately* the institutions of the gospel, "O Lord, revive thy work, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MT. VERNON.

REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 7, adults 5.—Total 12. Confirmed, 11. Communicants reported at last Convention, 113, added 16—129. Died 1, removed 5, stricken from the list 1—7. Total 122. Marriages 7. Funerals 8.

The Parish may be said to be in a prosperous condition, perhaps more so than at any former period. During the past year an organ has been purchased at an expense of \$500. This organ is 18 feet high and 8 feet front, and contains nearly 5 full stops. It was built by Mr. Botsford of Wooster, in this State: it is of superior workmanship and excellent tone, and reflects great credit on the young and enterprising builder. About \$1800 00 have been subscribed by the parish in aid of our Theological Seminary. \$60 have been raised for the Bishop's Salary, 29 00 for the Contingent Fund, and 10 00 for Foreign Missions. Sunday School Scholars, about 50 in attendance.

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEWTON FALLS.

This infant Parish, so promising at its birth, has, since January last, struggled with difficulties which threaten its dissolution; but the encouraging hope exists, that with God's blessing it will again revive.

Number of Families 7. Average attendance on Divine service about 150. Number of Communicants 16. Candidates for confirmation 6. The parish Sunday School contains at present 7 scholars. There has been no stated pastor since April, and at present there is but little zeal manifested to obtain one, since recent accounts from the East have revealed the secret existence in the bosom of the Church, of that man of sin, *Puseyism*.

HENRY A. DU BOIS, *Senior Warden*.

CALVARY CHURCH, PITTSFIELD, LORAIN CO.

Organized March 14, 1843. Baptisms, adults 2, infants 4.—Total 6. Number of Communicants when organized, 12, since added 2,—14, removed 1,—13. Lay Reading every Sabbath, except when occasionally suppld with preaching.

H. B. TUTTLE, *Secretary of Vestry*.

REV. HENRY PAYNE'S REPORT.

During the past year I have not had any pastoral charge, partly in consequence of severe family and personal affliction, and partly in consequence of the inability of my parish to support me. During the past year, myself and wife and six children were brought very low with bilious or congestive fever, after which we were visited for more than half the year with occasional attacks of ague. The year has been one of more sickness and privation than I have known before; yet I have not been entirely idle, but as health and opportunity allowed, I have published the unsearchable riches of Christ.

I have preached at Hamilton 33 times, in the three Churches in Cincinnati 20 times, Bath Springs, Virginia, once, Baltimore once, Philadelphia 3 times, New-York City 7 times, Geneva once, Springfield, Ohio, once; Covington, Ky., twice, Evansville, Ind. 6 times, and once on board steam boat (on a Monday night) on the Ohio. I have solemnized one Marriage, performed one Baptism, and performed service at 6 Funerals.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GRAFTON.

REV. A. PHELPS, *RECTOR*.

During the past year I have spent one half my time in Bethel Church, Boston, as assistant Minister. There has been a steady and permanent increase in the congregation, and the communicants have been increasing in their attachment to the regulations of the church, as well as in their desire for the promotion of Christ's kingdom, which is "righteousness and true holiness."

The other half of my time has been spent in St. Stephens' Church, Grafton. In this

parish the Lord has showed himself merciful, so that we trust our labors have not been in vain in the Lord. This little band of faithful sons of the church have been strengthened and encouraged in the way of Zion. They are united and, I trust, are striving to "speak the same mind," which is to promote the interest of the vine which the Lord has planted among them.

There have been added, since the commencement of my labors there last October, by profession 3, from other parishes 7—10. Suspended 2, removed 1, present number of communicants 37. Marriages 1, Baptisms, infants 3, adults 1—9. Funerals 1. The average number of children attending Sunday School is 52. Teachers 10. But part of this number belong to families connected with the Parish. Contributions—for Missions \$7 74. For the Episcopate and contingent fund 3 45. For the Diocesan Institutions, amount not known. Four hundred dollars have been paid the last year to relieve the parish from debt. Eight hundred still unpaid, though it is assumed by *individuals* of the congregation, which relieves the church entirely from debt, though this amount is to be paid by the individual members of the parish in two annual instalments. This disables the parish from raising the same amount of funds for ministerial services and other objects, which might be expected under other circumstances.

CALVARY CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

I have also officiated several times at Pittsfield, where we organized a parish Feb. 21, called Calvary Church. I have administered the Communion once, baptized 1 adult and two infants in the parish. I have officiated in St. John's, Dover, once, and administered the Holy Communion. Also at Christ Church, Hudson, three times.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, CLARK CO.

REV. WILLARD PRESBURY, MISSIONARY.

Baptisms, infants 11. Burials 2. Confirmed 10. Communicants added 11. Lost by removal 3. Present number including 5 at the Yellow Springs 40. Contributions to Domestic Missions \$11 51. To the support of the Episcopate 15 00. Contributions to the Seminary 125 00. For Sunday School Library and other benevolent objects 25 00. Sunday School teachers 8, scholars 45.

I have hitherto officiated at the Yellow Springs half of the time, but as there is no prospect of collecting a church at that place, I expect hereafter with the approbation of the Bishop, to confine my labors wholly to Springfield. The Church here is gradually gaining ground, and the state of the parish is on the whole encouraging. A plain but substantial Gothic edifice has been erected, but it yet remains in an unfinished state. Could our more favored brethren lend us a helping hand, they would contribute much to the increase of the parish and to individual happiness:

TRINITY CHURCH, LYME.

REV. EPHRAIM PENDERSON, RECTOR.

My Parish at Lyme, continues in a healthy condition, and is gradually on the increase. There have been Baptisms, adults 2. Confirmed by the Bishop 9. Added to the Communion 4.—Present number 22. Funeral, infant 1. Sunday Scholars 40, Teachers 5. In this department we have been much straitened for the want of books, and want the parish are now endeavoring to supply.

At Bellevue, my efforts have not met with that success which could have been hoped for; although it has not fallen below expectation. Some seriousness, by God's blessing, has been awakened, and good feeling prevails towards the Church amongst our limited

population, excepting those who are decidedly attached to other bodies of Christians. We commenced at this place under circumstances very unpromising. There was not only, not one Episcopal family, but only four individuals who had any previous acquaintance with the Church, and no particular seriousness amongst these. Wearied with four days' meeting, and disgusted by an injudicious interference with their families, a few leading individuals sought the introduction of our communion. These gentlemen have continued to do all that could be reasonably expected. But under these circumstances, the Bishop will not be surprised to hear, that the attempt to rear a Church building, of which he was informed when with us, has proved abortive, for lack of unity about location. My impression is, that provided services can be continued, the Church will eventually become established at this place. But the income of your Presbyter is very limited, and he is uncertain of being sustained much longer, without missionary assistance.

The Parish at Lyme is yet too feeble to furnish the moiety of a clergyman's salary — They are at present rallying their strength towards providing themselves with a building of which they are much in need. To leave them now, would be unfavorable to their success, and would be accompanied with great personal regret. There have been at Bellevue, Baptism, infant 1. Funerals, infants 3. There are Sunday Scholars about 15. Teachers 3.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, COLUMBUS.

REV. H. L. RICHARDS, RECTOR,

Respectfully reports to the Bishop, that he commenced services in this new parish about the first of November last. On the first day of December following, the parish was duly organized with 21 communicants, since that time there have been added 17, two of whom were from other denominations. Two have removed leaving at present 36.

Baptisms—adults 1, infants 11—12. Confirmations 8. Funerals 1. Sunday School scholars maximum 50—average 40. Teachers 7.

Every baptized member of the Church is considered a member of the Missionary Society, and called upon to contribute *statedly*, according as God hath prospered him to the promotion of the Missionary work. To give system and efficiency to the matter, members subscribe a pledge to contribute a certain amount monthly. And a monthly Missionary prayer meeting is sustained, (agreeably with the recommendation of the last convention,) at which time the contributions are handed in. There have been collected in this manner in 9 months \$60 00. Quinquagesima collection 17 25. Communion offerings 17 74. Bishop's Salary 18 00. Subscribed to the College 150 00. Ladies' fair for paying debt of Church, about 225 00—total 487 99. Some ten or fifteen dollars have also been expended in fitting up and finishing the room where the congregation now meet.

The Rector regrets that owing to the precarious state of his health during the summer, he has not been able to bestow that labor and attention upon his parish which he could have desired, and which its best interests demanded. He trusts, however, that his congregation will again be blest with regular services, and doubts not with the blessing of Heaven, the weak will in time become strong.

It is hoped the congregation will be enabled to finish the upper room of the Church next season.

REV. J. SANDALS,

Reports that his time during the last year has been devoted principally to the duties of his professorship in Kenyon College. Besides preaching in his turn in the College Chapel, he has preached occasionally in Mt. Vernon, Utica and Perry. He has administered the Communion twice, and baptized two infants. He has celebrated one marriage.

REV. A. SANFORD,

Reports to the Bishop, that he has performed but few strictly ministerial duties during the past year. His duties in connexion with Granville Female Seminary, have occupied most of his time. The Lord has graciously smiled upon this Institution during the past year, and he trusts, made it a blessing to the Church. Several of its members have become hopefully pious: and have gone forth to exert a salutary influence upon the world.

He has preached once in St. Paul's Church, Columbus, twice in St. Peter's Delaware, once in Jefferson township, Franklin County, attended the funeral of one child, and baptized five infants.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ZANESVILLE.

REV. W. A. SMALLWOOD, RECTOR.

Baptisms, children 20. Marriages 2, Funerals 6. Communicants at last report 87, lost since by removal 7, by suspension 2, by death 2; added by removal 16, by new communicants 8, omitted at last report 1,—present number 101. Contributions to Colonization about \$30 00, Missions 50 00, Sunday School 70 00, Tract Society 27 00, support of Episcopate 40 00, Convention Assessment 12 00, Sunday School Teachers 12, Scholars 100, average attendance 65.

The congregation suffered much in consequence of worshipping, for many successive months, in an inconvenient place, during the erection of the new Church. On Easter day this beautiful gothic structure, of pure white stone, was opened for the first time, nearly two years having been spent in the work. The occasion was one of great rejoicing, and, it is hoped, of thankfulness to the Giver of every good and perfect gift. Since then there has been an increase in the attendance, making the congregation larger now than at any former time. Soon after the opening of the Church, however, it became necessary for the Rector to be absent for nearly two months. This has been evidently followed by diminished interest in spiritual things. The prospect is at present more favorable than it was immediately on his return. And he is happy in perceiving the existence of a religious sensibility in the breasts of some, who have been heretofore careless.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WOOSTER,

REV. J. CARPENTER SMITH, RECTOR,

Reports to the Bishop, that since he entered upon the duties of the Parish in November last, there have been added to the number of Communicants 2, removed from the parish 8, present number 25. Baptisms, 14 infants: Confirmed 6. Contributions to Missionary and other benevolent objects, \$35 00. For the support of the Episcopate 10 00. Sunday School Teachers 8, Scholars on the roll, 60, average attendance 40.

There is also connected with the parish, a Ladies' Sewing Society, composed of a few, who, remembering that their Master has commanded them daily to pray, "thy kingdom come," have set apart one afternoon in the week, as devoted to the carrying out, in part in *Christian action*, the grand principle involved in that petition.

Although during the period embraced in the report, there has not been a great increase in point of number, yet the "Great Master Builder" of his Church has vouchsafed the evidence that while the laborer now must "with the one hand work, and in the other carry a weapon," yet that the ground is being broken up, and the foundation of a goodly edifice in the Lord's heritage being laid, in which "others, who come after may be made glad."

GRACE CHURCH, BERKSHIRE.

REV. G. B. STURGES, RECTOR.

The Rector of Grace Church, Berkshire, reports. Baptisms, adults 2—infants 3,—5. Communicants added 2—removed 1—present number 41. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3.—Sunday School Scholars, 80—Teachers, 12. Bible Class, 15 members. The Rector is more encouraged by the present prosperous state of the Sunday School than any thing else connected with his charge—the increased faithfulness of some of the Teachers and attention of the Scholars will he trusts be so blessed that the Sunday School will prove indeed the nursery of the Church. Contributions to S. S. Library, and other benevolent purposes, about \$14.

ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, MASSILLON.

REV. JOHN SWAN, RECTOR.

The Rector of this Parish records with gratitude to God the blessings with which he has attended his labours during the past year. An unusual number has been added to the Communion, and much seriousness and devotedness continue to characterise the people of his charge.

After years of delay and disappointment our church edifice has at length been completed, with the exception of the tower, and was on the 13th of May consecrated to the worship of Almighty God. Thus blessed both as to the spiritual and material temple, the only drawback to our prosperity we have reason to fear is the heavy debt that rests upon the Church. It is hoped, however, that this obstacle may ere long be removed by united effort on the part of those interested in the welfare of the parish.

The following statistics are taken from the Parish Register of last year:—Communicants added 31—from the congregation 14, from other churches 17—withdrawn 5, removed 8—present number 79. Baptisms, adults 8, infants 6,—total 14. Confirmed 26. Marriages 3. Funerals 6. Sunday School Scholars 100, Teachers 15. Contributions to Missions \$50 00, to Bishop's support 45 00, to Kenyon College 125 00—\$220.

GRACE CHURCH SANDUSKY CITY.

Since the last report this Parish has been destitute of a Minister, except that we had the services of the Rev. Foster Thayer five months, from November to Easter, one evening service by Rev. Mr. Fagg, one by Rev. Mr. Gulon, and one Sunday Rev. Mr. Tremain, a stranger, preached in our Church. For the rest of the year lay reading has been regularly kept up by the Wardens with very good attendance.

The finishing of our Church, which was commenced in May last, is progressing, and will be done about the first of October next. We have also contracted for an organ, at a cost of \$850 00, which we expect will be put up and ready for use by the time the Church is finished.

Our Record shows Baptisms, adults 3, infants 10—total 13. Confirmed 4. Deaths, adult 1, children 2—total 3. Communicants, added 4, died 1, removed 3, present number 23. Collections for Charitable purposes \$15 00, Bishop's Fund 25 00, Contingent expenses of Convention 3 00.

T. W. BARKER, Senior Warden.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MARIETTA.

REV. D. W. TOLFORD, RECTOR,

Reports to the Bishop, that when he took charge of the Parish, Nov. 20, 1842, he found upon the Parish Register the names of 35 Communicants. There have since been added :

by return to the Parish 1, removal to the Parish 1, new members 10, present number 47. Baptisms—adults 2, infants 4—6. Funerals 4. Collected for Bishop's salary \$30. Missions 22. By the Ladies, towards the purchase of an organ and payment of Church debt 110. Communion offerings 28 62½. Diocesan fund 12. Total 202 68½. The Rector has reason to be encouraged.

CHRIST CHURCH, WARREN.

REV. C. C. TOWNSEND, MISSIONARY,

Respectfully reports to the Bishop, the state of his former charge as follows: Communicants last report 13, added by profession 13, by removal 1—27. Candidates for confirmation 14. Baptisms, adults 3, infants 13—16. Burials none. Marriages none. Families last report 20, removed 1, added 1—22. Contributions \$34 78. A small Sunday School was in operation when I left.

ST. MARK'S, NEWTON FALLS.

Communicants last report 9, added by profession 7, by removal 0, withdrawn 1—15. Candidates for confirmation 7. Baptisms, adults 3, infants 1—4. Burials none. Marriage 1. Families last report 14, added 4, removed 1—16. Sunday School teachers 6, scholars 15. Contributions in all \$8 01.

The Communion has been administered in both Parishes, as a general rule, once a month and attempts made to observe the stated seasons of the Church; as also to sustain weekly lectures. I have been under the necessity of teaching; but by God's blessing have been enabled regularly to serve these Parishes; and preach 24 times in other places, before and since my resignation. Circumstances beyond my control, have compelled me to resign a charge, interesting to me, as the humble instrument of its organization, and in doing so, I would gratefully acknowledge the fostering care of the Missionary committee: and magnify the goodness of our God, whose hand has been upon us for good. And what has been sown in tears, may some worthier hand reap in joy.

Rev. C. C. Townsend, further reports to the Bishop, that since his resignation, as Missionary to Warren and Newton Falls, he has made a survey, at the Bishop's request, of that section of the Diocese bounded north by the National Road, east by the Muskingum, south by the Ohio, and west by the counties of Gallia, Jackson, Hocking and Perry. Of this section, with whose population are interspersed the members and friends of our church, more or less sparsely, he has visited only those towns where he has heard of Episcopalians, leaving other places and the intervening country for future research. His object has been to ascertain numbers, ability and necessity: and the result is decidedly favorable to the immediate establishment of a Mission in that quarter. He has visited Roseville, Muskingum county, Deavertown and McConnellsville, Morgan county, Athens, Athens county, and Pomeroy, Meigs county; the last three towns are county seats. At Roseville he found one family from Vermont having one female communicant. Here are about 200 inhabitants: a warm desire was expressed for services and a large congregation promised. I preached once in that town. At Deavertown, 6 miles from Roseville, are 300 inhabitants and two Episcopal families, and two female communicants. The services would be supported here, The Romanists have a church here, and have solicited our members to unite with them but in vain. At McConnellsville and Malta, on opposite sides of the Muskingum and 30 miles from Athens, are two Episcopal families, one in each town, and three communicants, two males and one female: these families would form the nucleus of a congregation in each town. Malta of two hundred inhabitants, McConnellsville of 800. Rev. Mr. Smallwood has preached there several times. Pomeroy is on the Ohio, 24 miles from Athens, containing a mixed population, attracted by those rich and exhaustless coal mines, under the pro-

priestship of enterprising men connected with our church, and worked by foreigners, some of whom are members of the church of England, and others are Welch, who ought to be. Rev. Mr. Goodwin, Missionary in Virginia, has preached here one Sunday in four, and there are about 12 families, 9 communicants and children enough for a Sunday School. There is a desire for more frequent services, and a willingness to assist in sustaining them, and Mr. Goodwin wishes to commit his good work into other hands, so soon as they can be sent. Athens will form a central point, from which those towns already named, as well as others not yet visited, at convenient distances, could be reached. It is the seat of the Ohio University, and has a very intelligent community: and although not a place of business, yet affording peculiar facilities for educational purposes. The Court-house was offered for regular services, and I preached in it four times, as also twice in the house occupied by the Cumberland Presbyterians; on three successive Sundays. Our morning congregations were small but encouraging; the afternoon, as other denominations intermit their worship, brought us invariably, a crowded congregation. This arrangement would continue, and as people become acquainted with our services they will look upon them favorably. We may number, at least ten families, with children for a Sunday school; and although but two female communicants, yet several members of other churches have expressed a desire to join us, when our services are established, and they are sufficiently instructed in our doctrines, and their contributions are already pledged. There are some students from Episcopal families, who have expressed a desire for the Church; the Faculty of the University are friendly, and two of their number partial to the Church. The Romanists have made no effort here, but are building their churches in the country adjacent. Our families, to secure the means of grace, have attended other churches; but now, with unflinching love for the Church, they urge their plea for her ordinances; and many who have attended our services invite, and promise to assist in sustaining them. On so short notice, the prospect is not fairly tested, but, probably, for the first year, not more than \$100 can be raised; what is subscribed will be paid quarterly; and if our Diocesan Committee think proper to employ your reporter as Missionary in this field, he promises, among other things, *first*, not to organize a parish or elect a vestry until the friends of the Church are well instructed in her peculiarities and canons; and never build a church until it can be done without foreign aid, or debt at home. *Secondly*, So far to follow the successful method of our Methodist brethren as to solicit a quarterage of some amount, from every individual, and send it to the Committee's Treasury. Speaking with deference, as an humble individual, yet one who, as a poorly paid Missionary, has had some experience; he believes this is the only plan of systematic subscription, which can send the Gospel to every creature, and support those who carry it: and make it duly appreciated by them who have it:—and moreover, that, were this Convention to adopt that plan, and the Church to act upon it, it would prove a practical carrying out of the great principle that every baptized person is a member, and ought to be a contributing member of the Missionary Society—the Church. In concluding this report, he would express unfeigned gratitude to God for the kindness he has received from those he has visited; and the hope, that through the effectual door, which God has opened, they may receive from the hands of the Committee, the comfortable Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, in the Church which they love and invite among them.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PAINESVILLE.**REV. ALEXANDER VARIAN, RECTOR,**

Reports Baptisms within the past year, 18 adults and 20 children—total 36. Marriages 5. Funerals 6 children and 7 adults—total 13. Confirmed (June 15th and 16th, 1843,) 35. Communicants, added by profession, 22, by immigration 9—total 31; removed by death 1, by emigration 1, by discipline 3—total 5; present number 79. Sunday Scholars 30, Teachers 9. Bible Class part of the year, Attendants 15 to 25, Contributed for the

Bishop's support: for deficit of last year, 1842, \$10 00; for the year ending Sept. 1st, 1843 27 00; for Domestic Missions, 15 00; by Ladies' Benevolent Society, to pay Church debt, 100 00; by Juvenile Missionary Society, to the same object, 60 00; by the Congregation, by subscription to the same object, 600 00; subscription to Kenyon College 160 00; collected by the Ladies of the parish, to fence the Church lot, 30 00; Convention Assessment for expenses, 7 00. Contributed by friends in New-York and Connecticut towards the payment of the Church debt, 638 00. Should the pledges which have been made of further assistance, be fully redeemed, the debt against this Parish will be paid before the end of the present year.

TRINITY CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. EDWARD WINTHROP, RECTOR.

In October, 1842, I accepted a temporary call to the pastoral charge of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, and continued to officiate as its Minister till the 1st of August, 1843, at which time I relinquished the charge of said Church, and accepted a call to the Rectorship of Trinity Church, in that city.

As the Parish has been organized but a few weeks, and we have not yet administered the Lord's Supper, we cannot say what will be the number of Communicants. The number of persons attending divine worship, is at present about two hundred, and has been steadily increasing since the commencement of our religious exercises. The responses are made with much animation and interest; and deep seriousness and attention prevail during the preaching of the word.

Since my entrance into the Diocese last November, I have preached and lectured 92 times, viz. 90 in Cincinnati, and 2 in Portsmouth. I have solemnized one Marriage, officiated at 12 funerals, and administered the rite of Baptism to 11 individuals, of whom 2 were adults and 9 were infants.

The Collections at the monthly offerings and at Communion seasons, during the time that I had charge of St. Paul's, amounted in all to about two hundred dollars.

REV. M. T. C. WING

Reports that he has had no parochial charge—that though the number of students in the Theological Seminary has been small, the duties of instruction have been about the same, as if the number had been greater. He has officiated in his turn in Rome Chapel, and preached on a few occasions besides. He has performed two Baptisms, and celebrated two Marriages.

REPORT OF THE TREASUR. OF THE MISS. & EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

*M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer, in Acct. with the Education Fund of the
Diocese of Ohio.*

1842.	DR.	
September	To balance on hand,	\$7 24
	Received from Rev. Thomas Barrow, $\frac{1}{2}$	2 50
	“ from Theological Seminary in full of loan	68 37 $\frac{1}{2}$
	“ from Ladies' Miss. Society, Trinity Ch., Columbus,	24 00
	“ from do do do	35 61 $\frac{1}{2}$
	“ from Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	10 50
	“ from Collection at Convention, $\frac{1}{2}$	40 00
	“ from Quinquagesima Col., Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	59 12 $\frac{1}{2}$
	“ from do do St. Philip's, Circleville, $\frac{1}{2}$	29 00
	“ from St. Peter's, Delaware,	6 25
		<u>\$ 282 60$\frac{1}{2}$</u>

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By Cash paid to sundry Beneficiaries, per order of the Com.	\$280 75
Balance to new account,	1 85 $\frac{1}{2}$
	<u>\$ 282 60$\frac{1}{2}$</u>

M. T. C. WING, Treasurer.

*M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer, in Acct. with the Missionary Fund of
the Diocese of Ohio.*

1842.	DR.	
September	To balance on hand this date,	\$ 54 48
	Received from C. D. 25cts.—Mrs. Kirtland \$3,	3 25
	“ St. James', Zanesville,	24 00
	“ St. Timothy's, Massillon,	10 00
	“ Trinity Church, Cleveland,	40 00
	“ Rev. Thomas Barrow, $\frac{1}{2}$	2 50
	“ St. John's, Springfield,	9 00
	“ Scioto Convocation, collected at Chillicothe,	21 50
	“ Do collected at Portsmouth,	25 00
	“ St. John's, Worthington,	6 00
	“ St. Peter's, Delaware,	2 50

	"	St. James', Cross Creek, paid Rev. Mr. Gray.	17 57½
	"	St. Thomas', St. Clairville, do	5 00
	"	St. Alban's, Deeraville, do	2 50
	"	Collected by Rev. Mr. Henshaw, .	2 50
	"	Collected at Convention, ½	40 02½
1843.	"	Ladies' Miss. Soc., St. Luke's, Columbia, avals of stockings sold . . .	12 67½
	"	Bishop McIlvaine, paid Rev. Mr. Barnes,	10 00
	"	Mr. H. T. Woodward, Brunswick, .	8 00
	"	Harcourt Parish, Gambier, . .	14 00
	"	Benevolent Society, St. Luke's, Granville,	19 00
April	"	St. Mark's, Mill Creek, . . .	1 50
	"	Bethel Church, Boston, paid Rev. Mr. Phelps,	2 08
	"	St. Stephen's, Grafton, do	2 64
	"	St. Andrew's, Elyria, do	4 92
	"	St. Paul's Norwalk, do	9 22
	"	N. W. Convocation, do	10 12
	"	St. Timothy's, Miamillon, . .	10 00
	"	Ladies' Missionary Society, Delaware,	9 06
	"	St. Paul's, Chillicothe, . . .	5 00
	"	H. P. Smythe, Utica, Quinquagimma Collection,	4 20
	"	St. John's, Ohio City, do	9 00
	"	Trinity Church, Newark, do	11 00
	"	St. Paul's, Akron, do	7 45
	"	Christ Church, Huron, do	9 50
	"	St. Paul's, Steubenville, do	15 53
	"	St. Matthew's, Hamilton, do	10 00
	"	St. Peter's, Ashtabula, do	10 00
	"	St. Luke's, Granville, do	12 34
	"	St. Paul's Columbus, do	20 00
	"	St. Paul's, Norwalk, do	19 00
	"	Grace Church, Sandusky, do	2 00
	"	St. Philip's, Circleville, do ½	29 00
	"	St. John's, Worthington, do	10 35
	"	St. James' Deshmon, do	7 00
	"	St. James', Painesville, do	15 00
	"	St. Andrew's, Elyria, do	2 00
	"	St. John's, Cuyaboga, do	18 00
	"	St. James', Zanesville, do	20 00
	"	St. Mark's, Newton Falls, do	5 62
	"	Christ Church, Warren, do	4 34
	"	Trinity Church, Cleveland, do	26 00
	"	St. Paul's, Cincinnati, do	50 00
	"	St. Matthew's, Plymouth, do	2 00
	"	St. Paul's, Medina, do	10 00
	"	Christ Church, Liverpool, do	6 00
	"	St. Stephen's, Grafton, do	5 00
	"	Christ Church, Dayton, do	5 00
	"	All Saints', Portsmouth, do	15 00
	"	St. Mark's, Mill Creek, do	1 50
	"	Christ Church, Cincinnati, do	66 97
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			\$313 24½

1842.	CR.	
September	By paid Rev. Mr. Gray	\$ 75 07½
"	" Mr. Henshaw,	7 50
"	" Mr. Freeman,	40 00
"	" G. F. Davis,	50 00
"	" C. C. Townsend,	14 70
"	" A. Wheeler,	100 00
"	" M. K. Cushman,	22 50
"	" A. Helfenstein,	53 00
"	" Mr. Barnes,	10 00
"	" Mr. West,	23 00
"	" Mr. Freeman,	55 00
"	" Mr. Henshaw,	2 50
"	" A. Phelps,	28 98
"	Treasurer of Domestic Committee, New-York, part of Quinquagessima Collections,	321 61
"	Printing Missionary Circulars	3 45
"	Discount on uncurrent funds,	50
	By balance to new account,	5 43
		<u>\$ 813 24½</u>

September, 1843

M. T. C. WING, Treasurer.

The above Report has been duly examined and compared with the vouchers, and we find the same to be correct.

Nov. 15, 1843.

D. B. DOUGLASS, }
A. BLAKE, } Auditing Com.

CONTINGENT FUND.

Geo. Browning, Tr. in Acct. with the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, for the year ending Sept. 9th, 1843.

DR.	
To Cash on hand at last Convention,	\$ 106 30
Christ Church, Cincinnati,	50 00
St. James, Zanesville,	12 00
St. Paul's, Steubenville,	10 00
St. Philip's, Circleville,	15 50
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	28 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe	12 00
Harcourt Parish, Gambler	1 00
All Saints', Portsmouth,	15 00
Carried forward,	<u>\$ 249 00</u>

Brought forward,	:	:	.	.	\$ 249 80
To Cash, St. James', Piqua,	.	.	.	.	8 00
St. Peter's, Delaware,	.	.	.	.	9 00
Trinity, Newark,	.	.	.	.	8 00
St. Timothy's, Massillon,	.	.	.	.	6 00
Christ Church, Dayton,	.	.	.	.	10 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	.	.	.	.	7 00
St. Paul's, Medina,	.	.	.	.	7 00
St. Luke's, Granville,	.	.	.	.	8 00
St. John's, Cuyahoga,	.	.	.	.	7 00
Grace Church, Cincinnati,	.	.	.	.	10 00
St. James', Painesville,	.	.	.	.	7 00
St. Paul's, Maumee,	.	.	.	.	1 00
St. Paul's, Akron,	.	:	.	.	3 00
Grace Church, Sandusky City	.	.	.	.	3 00
St. James', Boardman,	.	.	.	.	1 50
St. John's, Worthington,	.	.	.	.	5 00
St. James', Cross Creek,	.	.	.	.	7 00
St. Luke's, Marietta,	.	.	.	.	12 00
Christ Church, Springfield,	.	.	.	.	3 00
Bethel, Boston,	.	.	.	.	1 00
Christ Church, Huron,	.	.	.	.	4 00
Trinity, Lyme,	.	.	.	.	2 00
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	.	.	.	.	2 00
St. Matthew's, Perry,	.	.	.	.	3 00
St. Stephen's, Grafton,	3 45
St. Matthew's, Madison	3 00
St. Luke's, Columbia,	1 00
St. Paul's, Utica,	65
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					\$ 392 40

SUPRA. CR.

1842.

(Sept. 14.	By paid to D. Potwin per receipt, on bill and order of Dr. Colton, for printing Journal of 1841,	\$ 75 00
	"	Rev. E. Burr, on expenses to General Convention, cash and orders,	39 00
	16,	" Order of the Bishop for repairs to residence,	1 50
Oct.	29.	" M. T. C. Wing, P. M., on Episcopate postage, per receipt,	3 00
1843.			
Jan.	7.	" C. Delano, paper for Journal covers for 1842, per receipt,	2 50
Aug.	1.	" Rev. J. Muenscher, on expenses attending the trial of Dr. Colton, per receipt,	28 00
	29.	" Diocesan postage and stationary, per receipts,	1 16
	"	On order for Episcopate postage,	12 90
	"	Rev. E. Allen expenses attending trial of Dr. Colton, per receipt,	6 75
Sept.	6.	" Rev. J. B. Britton, do do	7 00
	"	Rev. I. Morse, do do	10 00

Carried forward, \$ 187 31

of the Diocese of Ohio, 1843.—Appendix.

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	Brought forward,	\$ 187 31
Sept. 7.	By paid to D. Potwin, per receipt, on bill and order of Dr. Colton, printing Journal for 1841,	41 50
	" Williams & Howard's bill, for paper for last Journal,	47 16
8.	" Rev. Mr. Brooke's expenses, sundry individuals for services in relation to trial of Dr. Colton, per accounts and receipts,	40 00
	By Cash on hand to balance,	78 43
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		\$ 392 40

GEO. BROWNING, Treasurer.

The above report has been examined and found correct.

T. W. ROGERS, Auditor.

Gambier, Sept. 8, 1843.

SALARY OF EPISCOPATE.

Geo. Browning, Tr. in Acct. with the Episcopate Fund for the year ending Sept. 9th, 1843.

	DR.	
To Cash, Christ Church, Cincinnati,	-	\$ 146 00
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	7 00
Trinity, Cleveland,	-	110 00
Trinity, Columbus,	-	77 00
St. James', Zanesville,	-	40 00
St. Paul's, Steubenville,	-	45 00
St. Philip's, Circleville,	-	85 00
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	-	61 00
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	-	35 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	-	60 00
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	-	11 75
All Saints', Portsmouth,	-	50 00
St. James', Piqua,	-	51 00
St. Peter's, Delaware,	-	7 00
Trinity, Newark,	-	43 75
St. Timothy's, Massillon,	-	45 00
Christ Church, Dayton,	-	40 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	-	24 00
St. Paul's, Medina,	-	30 00
St. Luke's, Granville,	-	43 00
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	Carried forward,	\$ 312 80

Brought forward,	.	.	.	\$ 812 80
To Cash, St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	.	.	.	30 00
St. James', Painesville,	.	.	.	35 00
St. Paul's, Maumee,	.	.	.	29 00
St. Paul's, Akron,	.	.	.	15 00
Grace Church, Sandusky City,	.	.	.	25 00
St. John's, Worthington,	.	.	.	16 00
St. James', Cross Creek,	.	.	.	12 00
Grace Church, Berkshire,	.	.	.	3 00
St. Luke's, Marietta,	.	.	.	30 00
Christ Church, Springfield,	.	.	.	15 00
St. James', Wooster,	.	.	.	10 00
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,	.	.	.	1 00
Do. do Dr. DuBois,	.	.	.	30 00
Bethel, Boston,	.	.	.	3 00
Trinity Church, Lyme,	.	.	.	8 50
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	.	.	.	10 00
St. Matthew's, Perry,	.	.	.	6 00
St. Matthew's, Madison,	.	.	.	15 00
St. Luke's, Columbia,	.	.	.	5 00
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				\$ 1310 00

SUPRA. CR.

1843.			
August 24.	By Cash paid Bishop McIlvaine at various dates since		
	Sept. 14th, 1842. to this date, per general receipt,	\$480 75	
Sept. 8.	By cash on hand to balance,	829 25	
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GEO. BROWNING, Treasurer.

The above report has been examined and found correct.
T. W. ROGERS, Auditor.

STATEMENT.

Due the Bishop at the close of last Convention,	\$ 570 12	
Deducting due from Contingent Fund,	18 00	\$ 552 12
To which add the difference between the whole sum collected and the salary of		
the year now ending		190 00
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Leaves a total deficit of		\$ 742 12

Last year the Convention conferred upon me, for the fourth time, the appointment of Treasurer in opposition to my expressed wish; and on accepting, it was promised, that if I would serve another year, I should thenceforth be excused. I therefore again earnestly request that the Convention would appoint some other person to serve them in that capacity.

Very Respectfully,
GEO. BROWNING, Treasurer.

LIABILITIES OF THE CONVENTION, AS FAR AS KNOWN.

Accounts.—Bishop McIlvaines expenses attending last General Convention,	\$ 18 00
Balance of postages of the Bishop, past year,	25 08
Balance of Rev. Mr. Burr's expences to last General Convention,	46 00
Do Rev. Mr. John's do do	29 50
Do Rev. Mr. Bury's do do	10 00
Printing last Journal, Rev. Mr. Wing,	\$ 158 83
Pressing and doing up Journal	17 85
Printing Circulars for Special Convention,	4 75 181 43
Balance due Rev. Mr. Burr, attending trial of Dr. Colton	7 00
Rev. Mr. Muenscher, on expences attending trial of Dr. Colton,	10 00
On accts. in hands of Rev. Dr. Brooke, trial Dr. Colton,	3 23
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	\$ 330 24
Amount on hand to meet the above	76 43
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Deficit in Contingent Fund,	\$ 253 81

G. BROWNING, Treasurer.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

Parish Assessment for the year ending September, 1844, together with the unpaid deficiencies of the years 1842 and 1843.

	DEFICIT.		ASSESSMENT.
	1841-2.	1842-3.	1843-4.
Christ Church, Cincinnati,	\$ 47 00	\$ 54 00	\$ 200 00
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	88 00	200 00	125 00
Trinity Church, Cleveland.			100 00
Trinity Church, Columbus,	18 00	30 00	90 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,			85 00
St. James, Zanesville,		50 00	85 00
St. Paul's, Columbus			20 00
St. Timothy's, Massillon,			60 00
St. Luke's, Marietta,			20 00
St. Luke's, Granville,		5 00	40 00
Grace Church, Berkshire.	5 00	17 00	20 00
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon.	14 00	15 00	75 00
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,			15 00
Christ Church, Springfield,			20 00
St. James', Painesville,			30 00
St. James', Boardman.	15 00	20 00	15 00.

	DEFICIT.		ASSESSMENT.
	1841-2.	1842-3.	1843-4.
St. Paul's, Strasburgville,	17 00	30 00	50 00
St. Paul's, Medina,			30 00
St. John's, Cayahoga Falls,			30 00
Haroomi Parish, Gambler,	8 25	00 00	60 00
St. Philip's, Strongsville,	10 00	15 00	10 00
Grace Church, Sandusky City,			25 00
St. James' Plaquemine,	4 00	10 00	50 00
St. Matthew's, Madison,			10 00
St. John's, Worthington,	5 00	4 00	20 00
St. Peter's, Delaware,	20 00	00 00	40 00
St. John's, Ohio City,	15 00	00 00	40 00
Trinity, Newark,		11 25	55 00
St. Philip's, Circleville,			75 00
Trinity Troy,	10 00	10 00	10 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	11 00	11 00	35 00
Christ Church, Dayton,			40 00
Granville Female Seminary,			10 00
Trinity, Lyme,		6 50	10 00
Christ Church, Liverpool,		10 00	5 00
St. Andrew's, Elyria,	15 00	15 00	10 00
Trinity, Jefferson,			5 00
Trinity, Cincinnati,			5 00
St. Paul's, Greenville,			5 00
St. Paul's, Maumee,		6 00	25 00
Bethel, Boston,		12 00	5 00
St. John's, Dover,		5 00	5 00
St. Luke's, Columbia,			5 00
Christ Church, Huron,		15 00	15 00
Christ Church, Franklin,		10 00	5 00
Christ Church, Warren,		10 00	5 00
Grace Church, Cincinnati,	15 00	25 00	15 00
St. James', Wooster,		15 00	15 00
St. John's, Springfield,		10 00	5 00
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,		14 00	10 00
St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,		20 00	10 00
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,		35 00	50 00
All Saints', Portsmouth,			50 00
St. James' Cross Creek,		3 00	20 00
St. Stephen's, Grafton,	10 00	10 00	5 00
St. Paul's, Akron,		10 00	15 00

CONTINGENT FUND.

Parish Assessment for the year ending September, 1844, together with the Assessments from the year ending September, 1841, which remain unpaid.

NAMES OF PARISHES.	ASSESSMENT.			
	1841.	1842.	1843.	1844.
Christ Church, Cincinnati,				\$ 50 00
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,			\$ 25 00	25 00
Trinity Church, Cincinnati,				5 00
Grace Church, Cincinnati,				5 00
Trinity Church, Cleveland,				23 00
Trinity Church, Columbus,	16 00.		20 00	20 00
St. James' Zanesville,				15 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,				15 00
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,				16 00
St. Philip's, Circleville,		6 50		10 00
St. Timothy's, Massillon,				12 00
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	6 00	6 00	5 00	6 00
Trinity Ch., Newark,				12 00
St. Paul's, Steubenville,				12 00
St. James', Piqua,				12 00
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,			6 00	10 00
All Saints', Portsmouth,				10 00
St. Luke's, Granville,				8 00
St. Peter's, Delaware,		9 00		10 00
St. John's, Ohio City		10 00	10 00	9 00
Christ Church, Dayton,	13 00	12 00		10 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	7 00	7 00		7 00
St. James' Painesville,				7 00
St. Paul's, Medina,				7 00
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,				7 00
Grace Ch. Sandusky City,				5 00
St. Paul's, Maumee,	1 00	2 00		2 00
St. Luke's, Marietta,				5 00
Grace Church Berkshire,			3 00	3 00
Christ Church, Springfield,				4 00
St. John's, Worthington	2 00			5 00
St. James', Cross Creek,		7 00	6 00	6 00
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	1 00			2 00
St. James', Boardman,	6 00	50	5 00	5 00
Christ Church, Huron,				2 00
St. James' Woodlar,		3 00	3 00	5 00
St. Paul's, Columbus,				5 00
St. Philip's, Strongsville,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
Pt. Matthew's, Madison.	1 00	1 00		3 00
Trinity Church, Troy.	6 00	3 00	3 00	3 00

NAMES OF PARISHES,	ASSESSMENT.			
	1841.	1842.	1843.	1844
Trinity, Lyme,				1 00
St. Andrew's, Elyria,	1 00	2 00	1 00	4 00
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,			2 00	2 00
St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,				3 00
Christ Church, Liverpool,			1 00	2 00
Trinity Church, Jefferson,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. Paul's, Greenville,	1 00	1 00	1 00	
Bethel Church, Boston,	1 00	1 00		1 00
St. John's, Dover,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. Luke's, Columbia,	1 00	1 00		1 00
Christ Ch. Franklin,	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
Christ Ch., Warren,			2 00	1 00
St. John's, Springfield,		1 00	2 00	2 00
St. Stephen's, Grafton,		2 65	2 00	3 00
St. Paul's, Akron,				4 00
St. John's, Lancaster,			2 00	2 00
St. Matthew's, Perry,				2 00
St. Matthew's, Hamilton,	5 00	5 00	3 00	1 00
St. Matthew's, Plymouth,			1 00	2 00
Zion Church, Dresden,		2 00	1 00	1 00
Christ Church, Hudson,				4 00
St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,	2 00	2 00	1 00	1 00
St. Michaels, Unionville,			2 00	2 00
St. John's, Wakeman,	1 00	1 00	1 00	1 00
St. Stephen's, East-Liverpool,		1 00	1 00	1 00
Christ Church, Windsor,	1 00			
St. James', Batavia,	1 00			
St. Paul's, Utica,	2 00		.45	
Trinity Church, Toledo,		2 00	1 00	3 00
St. Peter's, Rome,	1 00	1 00	1 00	
St. Mark's, Sydney,		1 00	1 00	
Zion Church, Carlton.				1 00

CANON XV.

OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

Sec. 1. Any Communicant, who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the Rector, may be suspended from the communion.

Sec. 2. Communicants changing residence, and thus dissolving their connection with any Parish, shall be required to present certificates of good standing, from their former Rector, or in case of vacancy, from the Senior Warden, or Clerk of the Vestry, before being placed on record as communicants in any other Parish within this Diocese.

ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.—1843.

Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	279
Ordained,	{	Presbyters,	-	8	
		Deacons,	-	4	12
Consecration of Churches,	-	-	-	-	1
New Parishes Organized,	-	-	-	-	7
Candidates for Orders,	-	-	-	-	7
Clergy,	{	Received from other Dioceses,	-	-	3
		Removed to other Dioceses,	-	-	8
		Suspended,	-	-	1

ABSTRACT OF THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1843.

Baptisms, in 60 Parishes, infants,	-	419		
Do do adults,	-	184	Total	603
Communicants in do added,	-	-		656
Do do died, removed, &c.	-	-		257
Do do present number,				3260
Marriages, in do	-	-		127
Burials, in do	-	-		242
Sunday School Scholars, in 24 Parishes,	-			1610

CHURCH IN OHIO.

TRUSTEES OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., <i>President</i> .	
Rev. William A. Smallwood,	William Key Bond,
“ Erastus Burr,	E. H. Cumming,
“ S. A. Bronson,	J. L. Reynolds,
“ George Denison,	Columbus Delano,
“ Ethan Allen,	T. W. Rogers,
“ Richard Bury.	A. P. Prichard.

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Salmon P. Chase.	

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., <i>Chairman.</i>	
Rev. M. T. C. Wing,	D. B. Douglass,
“ Joseph Muenscher,	George Browning,
“ Alfred Blake,	H. L. Thrall,
“ John Sandels, Sec’y.	M. White.

STANDING COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Pres’t.	D. B. Douglass,
“ M. T. C. Wing, Sec’y.	George Browning,
“ Alfred Blake,	W. S. Richards,

DELEGATES TO THE NEXT GENERAL CONVENTION.

Rev. John T. Brooke, D. D.,	William K. Bond,
“ Wm. A. Smallwood,	J. L. Reynolds,
“ Joseph Muenscher,	E. H. Cuning,
“ Alexander Varian,	C. Delano.

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Rev. Erastus Burr,	William K. Bond,
“ J. T. Brooke, D. D.,	E. H. Cumming,
“ Ethan Allen,	Col. Johnson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Rev. Alvah Guion,	Joseph R. Swan,
“ George B. Sturges,	H. L. Noble.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION.—Henry B. Curtis, Esq., Mt. Vernon.

SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.—Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Mt. Vernon.

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in St. Timothy's Church, Massillon, on the first Thursday in September, A. D. 1844.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, SECRETARY



NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Ohio, will be held at St. Francis Church, Cleveland, on the 10th *Thursday* of September, A. D. 1911.

JOSEPH MUELSCHIER, Secretary.

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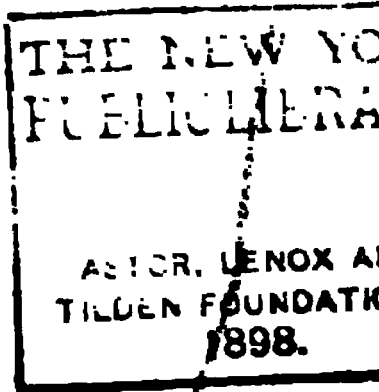
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LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

- The Rt. Rev. Charles Pettit McIlvaine, D. D.,** Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Gambier.
- The Rev. Ethan Allen,** officiating in Trinity Church, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, D. D.,** President of Woodward College, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. Norman Badger,** Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.
- The Rev. Alfred Blake,** Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.
- The Rev. James B. Britton,** Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.
- The Rev. Abraham Bronson,** Rector of Bethel Church, Boston.
- The Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson,** Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.
- The Rev. J. T. Brooke, D. D.,** Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. John L. Bryan,** Minister of St. James' Church, Batavia, and St. Peter's, Rome.
- The Rev. Erastus Burr,** Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.
- The Rev. William M. Burton,** Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.
- The Rev. Richard Bury,** Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.
- The Rev. E. H. Canfield,** Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.
- The Rev. Anson Clarke.**
- The Rev. Chauncy Colton, D. D.,** residing in Cincinnati.
- The Rev. G. S. Davis,** Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.
- The Rev. George Denison,** Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
- The Rev. Alexander F. Dobb,** Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.
- The Rev. Abraham Edwards,** Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia Co., and Missionary.
- The Rev. Joshua T. Eaton,** Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman, and Missionary.
- The Rev. Robert S. Elder,** Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Grace Church, Berkshire.
- The Rev. William Fagg.**
- The Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild,** Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster.

List of the Clergy.

The Rev. John Foster, Deacon, residing at Lebanon.

The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.

The Rev. Samuel Fuller, D. D., Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theol. Sem. of the Diocese, and Rector of Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

The Rev. William Granville.

The Rev. Richard Gray, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross-Creek, and Missionary.

The Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

The Rev. John Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The Rev. Albert Helfenstein, residing at St. Mary's.

The Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Lower Sandusky.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Grafton, and Calvary Church, Pittsfield, and Missionary.

The Rev. Richard S. Killin, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

The Rev. Edward Lounsbery, Rector of Grace Church, Sandusky City.

The Rev. Alexander McLeod, Deacon, Minister of Christ Church, Warren, and St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls.

The Rev. Albert T. McMurphy, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke Co., Ohio, and Missionary.

The Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of Christ Church, Huron, and Missionary.

The Rev. Joseph Mayo, Rector of Christ Church, Liverpool.

The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. Joseph Muenschner, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

The Rev. Henry Payne, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

The Rev. Alanson Phelps, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

The Rev. Ephraim Punderson, Rector of Trinity Church, Lyme.

The Rev. Henry L. Richards, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

The Rev. John Sandels, Professor of the Latin and Greek Languages and Literature in Kenyon College, Gambier.

The Rev. Alvah Sanford, Principal of the Granville Female Seminary.

The Rev. William A. Smallwood, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. Charles B. Stout, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.

- The Rev. George B. Sturges**, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.
- The Rev. James Sunderland**, Rector of St. Michael's Church, Unionville, and St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.
- The Rev. John Swan**, Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.
- The Rev. David W. Tolford**.
- The Rev. Abraham Wheeler**, Rector of St. John's Church, Springfield, Jefferson County.
- The Rev. M. T. C. Wing**, Prof. of Eccl. Hist. in the Theol. Sem. at Gambier.
- The Rev. Edward Winthrop**, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.
- Total 57.

**LIST OF THE CLERGY
WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.**

Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop.

Rev. Alfred Blake,	Rev. Levi L. Holden,
“ James B. Britton,	“ Richard S. Killin,
“ Abraham Bronson,	“ Edward Lounsbery,
“ Sherlock A. Bronson,	“ Albert T. McMurphy,
“ John T. Brooke, D. D.,	“ Intrepid Morse,
“ John L. Bryan,	“ Joseph Muenschner,
“ William M. Burton,	“ Alanson Phelps,
“ Richard Bury,	“ Henry L. Richards,
“ G. S. Davis,	“ John Sandels,
“ George Denison,	“ William A. Smallwood,
“ Alexander F. Dobb,	“ Charles B. Stout.
“ Joshua T. Eaton,	“ James Sunderland,
“ Robert S. Elder,	“ John Swan,
“ Thomas B. Fairchild,	“ Abraham Wheeler,
“ Lyman N. Freeman,	“ M. T. C. Wing,
“ Richard Gray,	“ Edward Winthrop.
“ Alvah Guion,	Total 34.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

Grace Church, Sandusky City, Rice Harper, Alexander H. Barber.
St. James', Painesville, Moses M. Seymour.
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer Alling, Isaac Davis.
St. Timothy's, Massillon, James L. Reynolds, Walter Reed, Pomeroy Baldwin.
St. Paul's, Steubenville, Bezaleel Wells, John Andrews.
St. James', Piqua, M. G. Mitchell, James Sterrett, Demas Adams, Jr.
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, Orren Gilbert, Henry Van Time.
Trinity Church, Cleveland, Henry L. Noble, George E. Freeman, Charles D. Brayton, Aaron Clarke.
St. Andrew's, Elyria, Orren Cowles.
St. James', Cross Creek, John B. Bayless.
St. Luke's, Granville, Levi Rose, John F. Sylvester.
St. James', Boardman, John Northrop.
St. Alban's, Deersville, Elisha Guiton, Robert Smith.
St. Paul's, Akron, Henry E. Pratt.
St. Paul's, Hartsgrove, Israel D. Bill.
St. Paul's, Medina, Enoch Higby, Junius Welton.
Christ Church, Springfield, Edward H. Cumming, James A. Bean.
Christ Church, Cincinnati, Henry Ives.
St. Marks, Mill Creek, John Mitchell.
St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co., John McCullough, Geo. Hammond.
Trinity Church, Jefferson, Samuel Wright, A. McCloud.
Christ Church, Warren, Sullivan D. Harris.
St. John's, Ohio City, David Griffith.
Christ Church, Franklin, Edward Parsons, L. N. Latimer.
St. James', Wooster, Henry Lehman.
St. Mark's, Newton Falls, Henry A. Dubois.
Harcourt Parish, Gambier, George W. Myers, Mardenbro White.
St. Paul's, Norwalk, Platt Benedict, Eben Boulton.
Christ Church, Penfield, Beri Adams.
St. Paul's, Euclid, John Doan, Jared P. Doan.
Christ Church, Hudson, Frederick Brown.

Total—50.

LIST OF PARISHES

CANONICALLY IN UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

<p> Christ Church, Cincinnati, St. Paul's, " " Christ Church, Dayton, St. James', Boardman, St. John's, Worthington, Grace Church, Berkshire, Trinity, Cleveland, Trinity, Newark, St. Luke's, Granville, Harcourt Parish, Gambier, St. James', Piqua, Trinity, Troy, St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, St. Peter's, Delaware, St. Paul's, Steubenville, St. James', Cross Creek, St. John's, Springfield, Jeff. Co., St. Paul's, Chillicothe, Trinity, Columbus, St. Philip's, Circleville, St. Paul's, Medina, St. Stephen's, Grafton, Christ Church, Windsor, St. Peter's, Ashtabula, St. James', Zanesville, St. Luke's, Marietta, St. Matthew's, Perry, St. Paul's, Radnor, St. James', Batavia, St. Paul's, Norwalk, St. Michael's, Unionville, All Saints', Portsmouth, St. Mark's, Mill Creek, St. Timothy's, Massillon, St. Matthew's, Plymouth, St. Matthew's, Hamilton, Christ Ch., Springfield, Clarke co., St. James', Painesville, St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, </p>	<p> St. Thomas', St. Clairsville, St. Peter's, Rome, Christ Church, Franklin, Christ Church, Liverpool, Grace Church, Sandusky City, Trinity, Lyme, St. Paul's, Akron, Bethel, Boston, St. Philip's, Strongsville, St. Luke's, Columbia, St. John's, Lancaster, St. John's, Ohio City, St. Andrew's, Elyria, St. Paul's, Greenville, St. Paul's, Maumee City, Trinity, Jefferson, St. John's, Dover, St. John's, Wakeman, St. Stephen's, East Liverpool, Christ Church, Huron, Trinity, Toledo, St. Barnabas', Hagarstown, St. Alban's, Deersville, St. Matthew's, Madison, Zion Church, Dresden, St. Mark's, Sidney, St. James', Wooster, Grace Church, Cincinnati, St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky, Christ Church, Warren, St. Mark's, Newton Falls, Christ Church, Hudson, St. Paul's, Hartsgrove, St. Paul's, Columbus, Calvary Church, Pittsfield, Christ Church, Tiffin, Trinity, Cincinnati, Christ Church, Penfield, St. Paul's, Euclid. </p>
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Total—78.

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ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, Massillon, Ohio,
Thursday, Sept. 5th, 1844.

This being the day constitutionally appointed for the annual meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, the Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. Timothy's Church, Massillon, at ten o'clock, A. M. Morning Prayer was read by the Rev. Richard Bury, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland, and the Ante-Communion Service by the Bishop. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. A. F. Dobb, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

After Divine Service, the Bishop took the Chair and called the Convention to order. A list of the Clergy constitutionally entitled to seats in Convention, was then furnished by the Bishop; and read by the Secretary of the last Convention, when the following persons answered to their names:

The Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop,	
Rev. Abraham Bronson,	Rev. Alvah Guion,
Sherlock A. Bronson,	Levi L. Holden,
John T. Brooke, D. D.,	Richard S. Killin,
Joshua L. Bryan,	Edward Lounsbery,
Richard Bury,	Albert T. McMurphy,
G. S. Davis,	Intrepid Morse,
George Denison,	Joseph Muenschner,
Alex. F. Dobb,	Alanson Phelps,
Joshua T. Eaton,	Henry L. Richards,
Robert S. Elder,	William A. Smallwood,
Thomas B. Fairchild,	Charles B. Stout,
Lyman N. Freeman,	James Sunderland,
Richard Gray,	John Swan,
Abraham Wheeler,	Edward Winthrop.

The names of the Parishes entitled to representation in the Convention were then called, and the testimonials of Lay Delegates were

Laid upon the Secretary's table. After which the Convention was declared by the Bishop to be duly organized.

The Convention then proceeded to make choice of a Secretary, and the ballot was on motion dispensed with. The Rev. Mr. Muencher having been nominated, was declared to be unanimously re-elected viva voce. The Bishop then appointed the Rev. Messrs. Guion, Bury and Denison, the Standing Committee of Examination, to whom were referred the certificates of the Lay Delegates.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and after prayer, proceeded to business. The roll of the Clergy being called, the following answered to their names, in addition to those who were present in the morning. The Rev. Alfred Blake, Rev. J. B. Britton, Rev. Wm. M. Burton, Rev. John Sandels, and Rev. M. T. C. Wing.

The Rev. Mr. Guion, Chairman of the Committee of Examination, made the following report, which, on motion, was received.

The Committee on the Credentials of Lay Delegates report the following as entitled to seats in this Convention.

Grace Church, Sandusky City, Rice Harper, Alexander H. Barber.
George W. Campbell.

St. James', Painesville, Moses M. Seymour.

St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, Ebenezer Alling, Isaac Davis.

St. Timothy's, Massillon, J. L. Reynolds, Walter A. Reed, Pomeroy Baldwin.

St. Paul's, Steubenville, Bezaleel Wells, John Andrews.

St. James', Piqua, M. G. Mitchell, James Sterrett, Demas Adams, Jr.

St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, Orren Guilbert, Henry Van Tine.

Trinity Church, Cleveland, Henry L. Noble, George E. Freeman,
Charles D. Brayton, Aaron Clarke.

St. Andrew's, Elyria, Orren Cowles.

St. James', Cross Creek, Charles Morehead, John B. Bayless.

St. Luke's, Granville, Levi Rose, John F. Sylvester.

St. James', Boardman, John Northrop.

St. Alban's, Deersville, Elisha Guiton, Robert Smith.

St. Paul's, Akron, John Hanford, Henry E. Pratt.

St. Paul's, Hartsgrove, Israel D. Bill.

St. Paul's, Medina, Enoch Higby, Junius Welton.

Christ Church, Springfield, Edward H. Cumming, James A. Bean.

Christ Church, Cincinnati, Henry Ives.

St. Marks, Mill Creek, John Mitchell.

St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co., J. McCullough, G. Hammond.

Trinity Church, Jefferson, Samuel Wright, A. McLeod.

Christ Church, Warren, Sullivan D. Harris, Cyrus J. Van Gorder.

ALVAH GUION, *Chairman*.

The following names were subsequently reported by the same Committee.

St. John's, Ohio City, David Griffith.

Christ Church, Franklin, Edward Parsons, L. N. Latimer.

St. James', Wooster, Henry Lehman, George James.

St. Mark's, Newton Falls, Henry A. Dubois.

Harcourt Parish, Gambier, George W. Myers, Mardenbro White.

St. Paul's, Norwalk, Shepperd Patrick, Platt Benedict, Eben Boulton.

St. Paul's, Chillicothe, Jno. Madeira, S. W. Ely, E. P. Kendrick.

Christ Church, Penfield, Beri Adams.

St. Paul's, Euclid, John Doan, Jared P. Doan.

Christ Church, Hudson, Frederick Brown.

The Bishop then appointed the following Standing Committees.

COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Rev. Mr. Blake and Ebenezer Alling.

COMMITTEE OF FINANCE.

Rev. Mr. Wing, Edward H. Cumming, and John Andrews.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood, Rev. Dr. Brooke, and Henry L. Noble.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

Rev. Abraham Bronson, Rev. Mr. Morse, Bezaleel Wells, and R. Harper.

The Bishop then delivered the following

ADDRESS.

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO:

Let us be thankful to our Heavenly Father who has graciously spared our lives and health, and granted us the pleasure and privilege of again meeting together in our Annual Convention. A privilege indeed it is, which we could hardly appreciate aright until deprived of it. A pleasure of a very animating sort. I trust, we always find in embracing that privilege—pleasure in meeting one another as Brethren, in one household of Faith, as laborers in one vineyard of our common Lord, as children and heirs of one God and Father of all;—pleasure in renewing and cultivating the attachments of brethren; in consulting together for the interests of that great cause for which I trust we desire entirely to live, and in endeavoring together to promote in each other's hearts that spiritual improvement, that growth in the love of Christ, that enlargement of heart for his work, that holy and single-minded zeal for the gathering of wandering and lost souls to his flock, and for the further sanctification of his people, which all of us so greatly need. May our privilege on this occasion, be truly improved; may we meet one another in a true feeling of brotherly love; may a spirit of humility, of prayerfulness, of soberness, of earnestness for the Lord's work, occupy every heart; may our hours, out of Convention, as well as in it, be spent as becometh members of Christ and ministers of His word; may all who wait upon the service of the sanctuary, during our continuance together, have reason to bless God for the precious benefits of His Holy

Spirit received therein. So shall we have reason to say, with thanksgiving, when we depart, that it was good for us to be here.

The year, between the last Convention and this, has been, to me, one of unusual labor. It has been divided, almost entirely, with the exception of three winter months, between my efforts in the Eastern States for the relief of our diocesan institutions of learning, and the visitations of the Diocese. The interruption of the latter duty, by absence or other necessary work for the church, during the previous year, as well as by sickness, caused a great deficit of visitations to be made up during this year. I have reason to acknowledge, with thankfulness, the good hand of the Lord, in enabling me to finish all that I expected, at the utmost, to be able to accomplish; without any interruption by sickness, or the many casualties by the way, to which so much journeying is liable, and by some of which, I was at times in great danger.

Immediately after the last Convention, I proceeded to the Eastward in prosecution of the effort in which I had been during the previous summer, for our Theological Seminary and College; and from which I had returned home when it was scarcely more than begun, in order that I might be at our Convention last September. I continued laboring, with all my might, in that cause, until the beginning of December. The results have been fully reported to the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, with a statement of all the debts settled by me out of the monies obtained, accompanied by the proper vouchers—and with a complete *exhibit* of all the several donations and names and localities of donors, so far as they were furnished to me by the donors, or by those through whom they sent their donations. This statement of donations and names of donors is now printed, and a copy will be sent to every name, as an acknowledgement of the gift. This has been delayed till the present time, that it might appear as part of my report to the Trustees, whose annual meeting took place on the 5th of last month.

Here it is my bounden duty to record my deep sense of indebtedness to God for putting it into the hearts of His people to meet the application with so much readiness and liberality. The labor and burden of making it, in so many places, and of repeating it under so many forms, in public assemblies, and to individuals, from day to day, through several months, were greatly relieved by the spirit with which it was every where received. There was a strong determination in the minds of many that the effort should not be allowed to fail of entire success. And here I have much pleasure in saying that a great deal of the interest to which its success was due arose from the evidence which the diocese had given, especially at its last Convention, of strong opposition to the manifold and crying errors and evils with which the Tractarian divinity has so disturbed the peace, and laboured to corrupt the doctrinal integrity of our Church. That opposition was the pledge to those to whom our application went that the trumpet of the ministry among us gives no uncertain sound, as to the great gospel doctrines which that divinity denies; that we are not yet persuaded to draw any nearer to the corruptions of Romanism than the position in which the Reformation places us, nor to think any more favorably of those corruptions than we have learned from our Articles and Homilies, and from the pure word of God, unvitiated by traditions of men. It was taken for granted that, in a diocese so unanimous against the new form in which Popery is seeking admission among us, the utmost pains would be taken to keep its college and theological seminary free from all taint of that lamentable disease of mind. Men gave largely to its relief under that view, who would have given nothing, had they supposed there could be any doubt of its correctness. I trust in God, we shall never,

in the slightest form, disappoint that expectation. I have no desire to see a theological seminary in the diocese, or any where else, except so far as its teaching and influence shall be thoroughly Protestant; thoroughly imbued with precisely that truth which our Articles and Homilies so pointedly maintain against the false system of Rome, and which it is the main effort of tractarian divinity to cast down. If ever ours should be corrupted from that simplicity, it will deserve to lose the confidence and support of all who love the truth as it is in Jesus.

Before I leave this part of my address, I should acknowledge the assistance rendered to my application for funds, by the editors of several periodical publications of our Church. The gentlemen conducting the *Episcopal Recorder*, the *Protestant Churchman*, the *Spirit of Missions*, and the *Southern Churchman*, were particularly serviceable.

Of the sums collected, certain sums were placed so far at my disposal, that in case the debts due out of Ohio should be discharged without them, they might be devoted to the finishing of Rosse Chapel and Bexley Hall. Under this provision, after discharging all the debts due out of the diocese, a thousand dollars have been appropriated by the Trustees, to Rosse Chapel, and a like sum to Bexley Hall; and the work on both buildings is in rapid progress. The Chapel, though the sum will not suffice entirely to complete it, will be made, what it has never yet been, not only habitable and very comfortable and desirable, but will be very good until means can be afforded to make it complete. The edifice for theological students, called Bexley Hall, will in a few weeks be finished in its beautiful exterior, and the rooms of one half of the whole building will soon be in readiness for students, as well as the room designed for the library. Theological students have been inhabiting finished apartments in the building, since last winter. Apartments so commodious and excellent, in all respects, for the purpose, are probably not furnished in any similar institution of the United States. To every two students is allotted a sitting room of about sixteen feet square, which communicates directly with two bed-rooms which are also delightful places for private devotion and study, averaging 8 1-2 feet by 12. Thus all the advantage of as much retirement and solitude as a devout student can require, is secured; while the social benefit to the habits and acquirements of young men, arising from pursuing together the same studies is not lost.

There is a matter of usefulness in this connection, in which I hope our parishes will be induced, through those now present, to take an active interest. I allude to the furnishing of the rooms in Bexley Hall. As so many of our theological students are now, and will probably ever be, either beneficiaries of our Education Committee, or else of such contracted means, that it requires all they have, with the closest economy, to pay for their board, and clothing, and books, &c.,—it is a very serious difficulty, in their way, to be obliged to purchase as much furniture for their rooms as is required for proper neatness and wholesome comfort. This difficulty the Seminary is unable to remove, by providing furniture, as well as rooms. In other theological seminaries it has been seen to by parishes. I am happy to say that there are two parishes, not however of this diocese, in which the wants of our theological students in this respect, have been very kindly considered. Certain ladies of St. Mark's Church, New York, have sent \$50 for the furnishing of one set of rooms—which has been laid out in articles of permanent value, in rooms of which a candidate for orders, from that parish, is now one of the inhabitants. The ladies of the Kenyon Circle, of St. Paul's Church, Boston, have remitted \$41.63—and have also on the way to Ohio, a box of bedding and other articles, for another set of apartments. For these expressions of kind interest in our seminary, we must

feel truly thankful. I trust they will suggest to our own parishes how much good can be done by the needle work of ladies and by a small contribution of money towards the object for which our beautiful edifice for theological students has been erected. Will not the clergy present remember this matter and endeavor to obtain little combinations among their people, to accomplish the end desired?

I proceed to speak of my official doings during the last year, in the visitation of parishes:

The parishes visited are the following, viz: St. James', Painesville; St. James', Zanesville; St. Thomas', St. Clairsville; St. Paul's, Steubenville; St. Luke's, Marietta; St. David's, Centerville; a new parish at Gallipolis, not yet in union with the Convention; All Saint's, Portsmouth; Christ Church, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, do.; Grace Church, do.; Trinity, do.; St. Matthew's, Hamilton; St. Luke's, Granville; Trinity, Newark; St. Paul's, Medina; St. Stephen's, Grafton; Calvary, Pittsfield; St. Andrew's, Elyria; St. Luke's, Columbia; Christ Church, Liverpool; St. Philip's, Strongsville; St. John's, Ohio City; Trinity, Cleveland; St. John's, Dover; St. Paul's, Euclid; St. James', Painesville, again; St. Michael's, Unionville; St. Matthew's, Plymouth; St. Peter's, Ashtabula; Trinity, Jefferson; St. Peter's, Rome; St. Paul's, Hartsgrove; Christ Church, Windsor; St. James', Batavia; Christ Church, Warren; St. Mark's, Newton Falls; St. James', Boardman; Christ Church, Hudson; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; Bethel Church, Boston; St. Paul's, Akron; Christ Church, Franklin; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; Grace Church, Sandusky City; Christ Church, Huron; St. Paul's, Norwalk; Trinity, Lyme; St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky; St. Paul's, Maumee City; Trinity, Toledo; St. Matthew's, Perry; St. James', Wooster; and St. Timothy's, Massillon.

The Confirmations have been as follows: St. James', Painesville, on two occasions, 43; St. James', Zanesville, 7; St. Paul's, Steubenville, 14; St. Luke's, Marietta, 11; All Saints', Portsmouth, 18; Christ Church, Cincinnati, 26; St. Paul's, do., 20; Grace Church, do., 5; St. Luke's, Granville, 9; Trinity, Newark, 5; St. Paul's, Medina, 19; St. Stephen's, Grafton, 6; Calvary, Pittsfield, 2; St. Andrew's, Elyria, 8; Christ Church, Liverpool, 4; St. John's, Ohio City, 22; Trinity, Cleveland, 16; St. John's, Dover, 1; St. Paul's, Euclid, 6; St. Michael's, Unionville, 10; St. Matthew's, Plymouth, 8; St. Peter's, Ashtabula, 39; Trinity, Jefferson, 2; St. Peter's, Rome, 3; Christ Church, Warren, 9; St. Mark's, Newton Falls, 3; St. James', Boardman, 7; Christ Church, Hudson, 20; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, 12; St. Paul's, Akron, 22; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, 8; Grace Church, Sandusky City, 29; Christ Church, Huron, 13; St. Paul's, Norwalk, 11; Trinity, Lyme, 4; St. Paul's, Maumee, 6; Trinity, Toledo, 6; St. James', Wooster, 4; St. Timothy's, Massillon, 19. Whole number of confirmations *four hundred and seventy seven*.

The general aspect of the parishes is favorable. The progress of spiritual religion among our people, is for the most part highly encouraging. So far as I can ascertain, the Gospel is faithfully preached; the ordinances of the church are duly administered; the worship of the church is properly conducted by the minister, and well attended by the congregation; and the word of God in all this combination of means, is glorified, so that we have reason for thankfulness and encouragement.

Since the last convention, I have admitted to the order of Presbyters, the Rev. L. L. Holden, Missionary at Grafton and Pittsfield.

The candidates for the ministry, in this diocese, at present, are Alexander McLeod, James Campbell, George Thompson, C. F. Lewis, William Miller, George Washington Dubois, J. Rice Taylor, David Elder, John H. Allen, Oliver Taylor,

William C. French, and Charles Ayry, making *twelve* in all, an increase since the last convention.*

During my visitation at Cincinnati in the spring, I laid the corner-stone church in that city, to be called Trinity Church.

Three new churches have been consecrated during the year, viz: St. Plymouth, St. Paul's, Akron, and Grace Church, Sandusky city. churches are in progress of completion, some of them nearly ready for con

Two new parishes have been duly reported to me as canonically organized. St. Paul's, Euclid, and Christ Church, Penfield.

I have received into union with the Diocese by letters dimissory from the Diocese of Massachusetts, the Rev. Samuel Fuller, D. D.,—Milnor Professor of Theology in the Theological Seminary of this diocese; from the diocese of Virginia, the Rev. Abraham Wheeler, who has become Rector of St. John's, Springfield, Mass., and the Rev. N. H. Cobb, D. D., who became Rector of St. Paul's, Cincinnati; from the diocese of Western New York, the Rev. Charles B. Smith, now Rector of St. James', Painesville, the Rev. James Sunderland, now Rector of St. Michael's, Unionville, and St. Matthew's, Plymouth; and the Rev. J. W. Hollis, now Rector of St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky.

The following clergymen have been transferred to other dioceses, viz:—Henry Payne, to Indiana; the Rev. J. S. Large, to Michigan; the Rev. J. H. Smith, to New York; the Rev. Alexander Varian, to Pennsylvania; the Rev. C. C. Townsend, to Kentucky; the Rev. Willard Presbury, to Ohio; the Rev. John Ufford, to Virginia, and the Rev. John Henshaw, to Texas.

I must add, with a deep sense of our loss and of the great gain of the Diocese, that the Rev. N. H. Cobbs, D. D., whom I have just before mentioned as having been received into this diocese from Virginia, has left us, after so long a connection with us, to take the charge of the Diocese of Alabama, as its Bishop-elect is waiting his consecration at the ensuing General Convention. Great and eminently valued in the Diocese of Virginia, where he had long labored profitably, I expected much of him in the important charge to which he is now called. I saw enough of him there, during my spring visitation, to be fully satisfied that he was the man for that field, and that if kept in it, by the good providence of God, the Church in that very growing city, would be greatly blessed. The Church is bereaved in his departure, I cannot but rejoice that, by our loss, the Church of Alabama obtains such a Bishop, and our House of Bishops such a brother.

The changes of clergymen within the diocese are as follows:—The Rev. J. W. Allen has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Dayton, and has

* We know not what a day may bring forth. While the Bishop was selecting from the above list of candidates, one of them was dead. Mr. James Campbell, a gentleman from London, who came to this country three years ago and settled in a property near to Marion, Ohio. There being no minister there, he labored as a lay reader with much usefulness. During his candidateship for orders he devoted himself to all by his excellent christian spirit, his active benevolence, his good sense, and his evident adaptation for the work on which his heart was set. He was expecting to be ordained, immediately on the Bishop's return from the convention, and had gone to Delaware for a few days to make arrangements for his gown was being made for the pulpit. It was laid aside and a shroud was put in its place. He was expecting in a few days, to appear before men as a Christian. He is gone, it is confidently believed, to be with Christ in his kingdom. He has left an afflicted family, who have the affectionate sympathy of many in the church of this diocese who knew this departed brother. *His labors and his works do follow him.*

officiating in the parish of Trinity Church, Cincinnati; the Rev. Anson Clark has resigned the Rectorship of St. Philip's, Circleville; the Rev. William Fagg has resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky, and on account of ill health, is now in Kentucky; the Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild, has resigned the Rectorship of St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, and taken that of St. James', Wooster; the Rev. William Granville has resigned the rectorship of St. Paul's, Medina; the Rev. Alvah Guion has resigned the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Norwalk, and taken that of St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; the Rev. Levi L. Holden, has taken charge of St. Stephen's, Grafton, and Calvary Church, Pittsfield; the Rev. Richard S. Killin has resigned the rectorship of St. James', Piqua, and taken that of Christ Church, Dayton; the Rev. Edward Lounsbery has taken the rectorship of Grace Church, Sandusky City; the Rev. A. T. McMurphy has taken charge of Christ Church, Springfield; the Rev. Alanson Phelps has taken the rectorship of Christ Church, Hudson; the Rev. George B. Sturges has resigned the rectorship of Grace Church, Berkshire, and taken that of St. Paul's, Maumee City; the Rev. David W. Tolford has resigned the Rectorship of Grace Church, Cincinnati; the Rev. Edward Winthrop has resigned Trinity Church, Cincinnati, and taken the rectorship of St. Luke's, Marietta.

The Rev. Almon Barnes, Deacon, having signified to me his renunciation of the ministry, and his determination not again to officiate as a minister of this Church, I proceeded, on the 12th of February last, according to the provisions of the 38th Canon of 1832, to displace him from the ministry, and gave due notice of the same.

The Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D., having satisfactorily complied with the terms on which depended the removal of his suspension from the exercise of the ministry, on the 3d of May last I restored him to the full standing of a Presbyterian of the Church.

Since our last Convention, three dioceses, which never before had elected Bishops, have taken that step. The Diocese of New Hampshire has elected the Rev. Carlton Chase, D. D., late rector of Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls, Vermont; the Diocese of Mississippi has elected the Rev. Francis L. Hawkes, D. D., late rector of St. Thomas', New York; and the Diocese of Alabama, the Rev. N. H. Cobbs, D. D. These brethren wait the action of the General Convention upon their election. The Church expects great benefit, under the blessing of God, from their faithful oversight as stewards of His heritage.

This being our Convention next before the General Convention, according to the constitution of the General Theological Seminary, we are to nominate Trustees of that institution for this diocese; which nomination is to be presented to the General Convention, and confirmed by that body. Every diocese is entitled to one trustee, and one additional trustee for every eight clergymen in the same. And as the evidence of how many trustees we are entitled to, the Secretary of our Convention is required by Canon 55th of 1832, to forward to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies a certificate stating the exact number of clergymen in the diocese, and also the nomination of trustees made by this Convention; without which certificate the nomination cannot be confirmed.

I call the attention of the Convention to the proposal sent from the last General Convention to the several Dioceses, and to be acted upon finally at the approaching General Convention, to add a new article, as Article X. to the Constitution of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. It will be expected of this Convention to express some mind on the subject, either in favor of, or against, the proposal. The article proposed is as follows, viz:

"ARTICLE X.—Bishops for foreign countries, on due application may be consecrated with the approbation of the Bishops of this Church, or a majority of them, signified to the presiding Bishop; he, therefore, taking order for the same, and they being satisfied that the person designated for the office has been duly chosen, and is properly qualified. The Order of Consecration to be conformed, as nearly as may be, in the judgment of the Bishops, to the one used in this Church. Such Bishops, so consecrated, shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan, or Assistant Bishop, in any Diocese in the United States, nor be entitled to a seat in the House of Bishops, nor exercise any Episcopal authority in said States."

While I am speaking of the General Convention, let me advert to the unprecedented interest with which our brethren of the several dioceses are looking forward to its approaching session; and to the duty of being earnest in prayer that the great Head of the Church will mercifully direct all its doings to the greater advancement of His glory. What will be done touching the matters which have recently so much agitated many minds among us, it is impossible to anticipate. That the position and faithfulness of our Church, as *Protestant* against the corruptions of Romanism, needs vindicating by her highest representative body, I solemnly believe. Let us pray that it may be done. I think we should all make it a duty to remember, in private prayer, the consultations of that important council, beseeching God to replenish all hearts therein with the spirit of love, of meekness, of wisdom, and of faithfulness to the great cause of gospel truth; so that, as far as in them lies, we may all be brought unto that agreement in the faith, and knowledge of God, and to that ripeness and perfectness of age in Christ, that there be no place left among us either for error in religion, or viciousness of life.* I would particularly urge that during the session of the General Convention prayer be offered by the several parishes in its behalf; and for this purpose, I hereby set forth and appoint, in virtue of the provision of the 47th Canon, of the 1832, the Prayer, entitled "*A Prayer, to be used at the meetings of Convention,*" found in the Prayer Book, next after the Office for the Consecration of a Church, to be used in the Morning and Evening services of the first two Sundays of October, at the usual place for the introduction of occasional prayers—the word "*here assembled,*" being changed to *now assembled*, and the words "*govern us in our present work,*" being changed for *govern them in their present work*.

This Convention has a duty to discharge with respect to the expenses of the General Convention. I request therefore that due attention may be paid to the requisition of Canon X. of 1838.

Some progress has been made during the year in the introduction of the plan of church offerings for benevolent objects. I am well convinced that with monthly communions, and the collection of offerings being made in connection the communion, at the reading of the offertory, before any dismissal of the non-communing part of the congregation, if the aspect be studiously given to the offerings as of a religious service done in the presence of God, and before the memorials of the sacrifice of Christ, and if the whole be properly forwarded by due instruction, and exhortation from the pulpit, it will be found, not only the best method, but the only permanent method, of supplies, from small parishes, as well as large, from the poor among our brethren, as well as from the wealthier, for the great works which the Church is bound to carry on. I would affectionately urge upon the clergy here present, this simple, easy method, requiring so little machinery, depending so much

* Office for the Ordering of Priests.

on steady principle, so independent of those spasmodic efforts which seem to paralyze the doer about as much as they benefit the object. We want a method which, besides raising money for good works, will strengthen, by exercise, the high motives, the holy principles, the self-denying benevolence of our people; which all the while that it is obtaining means to do good abroad will be doing great good at home, by forming and fixing in our people habits of considering, *without the need of a special call*, what they ought to do, and of doing, what they are able to do, of *their own settled purpose and disposition*. Such recommendations are found, beyond any other plan that I am acquainted with, in the method I have named; as the experience of those who have tried it fairly, with all the associated means which it requires, abundantly testifies.

You will remember that at the last Convention an additional section to Canon XV. of this Diocese, "*On Lay Discipline*," was passed, providing that communicants moving from one parish to another shall carry with them certain evidences of good standing. The addition is of so much importance, and in consequence of its being not yet printed with the diocesan canons, is so likely to be overlooked, that I think it worth while to give it a place in this address. As found on page 31 of the Journal of last Convention, it provides that a communicant changing his residence and thus dissolving his connection with any parish, shall be required to present a certificate of good standing from the minister of such parish, or if it have no minister, from one of the wardens before being enrolled as a communicant of any parish in this diocese.

Such a provision for the security of discipline is so important, especially in a country where change of residence, and emigration from one extreme of the land to another, is so common, that I cannot but wonder that it has not long ago been made obligatory by canon of the General Convention, upon all the dioceses. How else can we secure our communion-table from the participation of strangers taking up their abode in our several parishes to whom it may be a matter of worldly policy to appear as communicants in good standing of the Episcopal Church, but who either have never been admitted to the communion, or have been elsewhere repelled therefrom? Our parishes are greatly exposed, by the continual moving of the population of the United States to great injury by the coming into them of persons who talk loudly of what they have been elsewhere as churchmen, while they manifest in their new abode but little evidence that they have any title to the name of Christians. It behoves us to set up all reasonable and discreet barriers against being imposed upon by false pretences on the part of such persons. The requisition adopted at our last Convention is no other than what was universally in use in the early centuries of the Christian Church. It was as much required that laymen passing from place to place should carry what were called *letters of communion* (*epistolæ communicatoriae**) before they could be received to the communion of the Eucharist in a strange place, as that clergymen under like circumstances should exhibit letters dimissory (*epistolæ dimissorie*) before they could be received to what was called *ecclesiastical communion*, that is participation in the offices peculiar to the clergy. In the first Council of Carthage, a canon was made that no person, clerical or lay, should communicate in a strange church without such letters "for fear of surreptitious communion." "And in every council, almost, (says Bingham) there is a canon to the same purpose."† Dr. Sherlock, in his work on Church Unity,

* Called also *Pacificæ*, *Ecclesiasticæ*, or *Canonicæ*. Bingham's Antiquities, B. iv. c. iv. § 5.

† Bingham, B. xvii. c. iii. § 5.

observes that "the ancient discipline was very severe in admitting strangers who were unknown to them to the communion, lest they should admit heretics or schismatics, or excommunicated persons: and therefore if any such came who could not produce their recommendatory letters, but pretended to have lost them by the way, they were not admitted to communion."*

I see no difference between the circumstances of the Church in this country and those of the Church in the third century, which should make our practice in this respect any less strict and vigilant. On the contrary, between an age when Christianity was persecuted, and this age, when it is, in most places, a help to worldly advantages to be a communicant of a well ordered Church; between an age when travelling was difficult, and voluntary emigration was little known, and this age, when both are so general, and in our country almost the law, the difference is such as to make it especially imperative on us to follow the good rule of the ancient church in this particular.

I will release your attention, brethren, with some few words on a subject which, though it has so often made part of my communications to you on similar occasions, is continually, from change of circumstances, becoming in some sense new. You will at once understand to what I refer. I mean *that* controversy which is so important beyond all others that are now alive in our Church, in the sweep it makes of whatever is vital in the gospel of Jesus Christ: and in the consequent magnitude of the interests at stake, that it needs no name to distinguish it. The object of referring to it at present, is that I may say a word of caution.

There is danger lest minds of certain constitutions be induced, insensibly, to feel more kindly towards the pernicious doctrines of Tractarian divinity, in consequence of the unprecedented war which various denominations of professing christians, under the name of zeal against that divinity, are now waging against our Church.

That our church, in its various institutions and doctrines, even in those features which ever before have received universal suffrage among enlightened Protestants, is at this time assaulted with a degree of unanimity and concert among Christian denominations around us that is quite new in these days, and with a spirit and with weapons of warfare which a few years ago it would have been difficult for some of those brethren to believe they would ever be capable of, and that in all this, there is an indiscriminateness of hostility, an entireness of condemnation, an exterminating aim which can hardly be accounted for but on the supposition, that in the quarter where they appear there has been a most lamentable growth of a spirit of mere sectarian jealousy with a corresponding declension of genuine, affectionate piety, I need not show.

Now the strong tendency of all this, with many minds, instead of disposing them, as perhaps is anticipated, to draw any nearer towards those who are thus busy against our Church, is to drive them to precisely the opposite extreme. Professedly, our great offence is the Tractarian leaven among us. What that is, to be sure, the most ludicrous diversity of opinion prevails. To the Presbyterian, the Apostolic Succession of the ministry, in the line of Bishops, is a main part of it. To the Congregationalist, the doctrine of Apostolic Succession of the ministry in any way, even in the line of Presbyters, as held by the Presbyterian, contains the very essence of this evil. To the Baptist, the introduction of infants into the visible church by baptism, is essentially the same leaven. To some, of all sects, whatever is in *our* Church, and is not in *theirs*, whether it be doctrine or discipline, or

* Quoted by Bingham, Antiq. B. xvii. c. iii. § 6.

worship, is Tractarianism. But there is a leaven *among* us, though not *of* us, to which that name belongs, whether those around us know what it is or not, of which, like the leaven of the Pharisees, we are bound most watchfully to beware. And you must be conscious that when all that is good and venerable and scriptural in our Church is worse than ignorantly identified with that name and branded with its condemnation, and that often in a spirit which cannot but revolt our commonest sense of what is just and christian, there is danger that minds of a certain constitution will be inclined to discriminate as little in the defence, as others have done in the attack, and to feel some sympathy with a great evil, because what they love so devotedly, and feel ready to defend with all their might, is condemned under its name. Out of such sympathy, thus originating, may easily grow, under the continuance of the same cause, a disposition in such minds to palliate and excuse and half defend a system of false doctrine, which ought never to be thought of but with condemnation. Soon may be heard the discovery that, after all the noise that is made about it, there is a great deal more of good and vastly less of evil in it than is generally supposed. The next step may be to fall into the very pit they have thus partially concealed; and to become the actual advocates of what otherwise would have been clearly seen in all its manifold departures from the truth of the gospel.

I have no idea, to be sure, that denominations which take such active interest in our internal affairs, have really any time or effort to spare from their own household difficulties. The growth of Pelagianism, in some quarters; the fruit of which has always been, either Popery, or Socinianism, according to the soil, may be as much to be dreaded as the worst feature of the system alluded to. If among us there seem a tendency to the renewal of forms, which however unsafe or popish, have at least the praise of some antiquity; there is among others, and has long been, a development of bald formality under an active working of certain novel forms which I dread no less in their effects on all the permanent interests of vital godliness, in proportion to their use, than the whole mass of popish ceremony. I mean that dead machinery of "new measures," professedly for "the getting up of revivals of religion," which in practice have so profanely dispensed with the influences of the Holy Spirit in the conviction and conversion of sinners; which, under the name of promoting a more simple and spiritual religion, have, in the places where they have been most used, introduced the hardest and worst, because the most spiritually-pretending, of all formality; which, in a word, have confessedly overspread many large portions of our country with spiritual delusion and paralysis.

But, brethren, let us not fall into the very fault which we may complain of in others. While seeing the magnitude of the evils by which they are suffering, let us not close our eyes to the fact, nor be unwilling to acknowledge, that we have evils and dangers of false doctrine among ourselves which demand all our vigilance to watch, all our zeal to oppose, and all our prayers to overcome. It is no more derogatory to the christian faithfulness and apostolic model of a church to acknowledge that in the body of her members there are dangerous workings of corrupt doctrine and practice, threatening her life unless she watch and pray against them, than it is contradictory to the christian character and faithfulness of any one of her members to say that, though with the mind he serves the law of God, there is a law in his members warring against the law of his mind, seeking to bring him into bondage again to sin, and requiring all his efforts of prayer and watchfulness to keep it in subjection. But if the professing Christian be insensible to his need of watchfulness and prayer; if he be conscious of none of that opposition of his old nature

to the law of the spirit of God; or, if conscious of its being, he be indifferent to its snares, unwilling to acknowledge that there is such an enemy within him; anxious to palliate its sin, to hide its dangers, to keep the peace of his mind at the expense of compromise with that which labors to break his peace with God, then is it indeed a sad evidence that if ever a true Christian he has grievously fallen, and should now be full of fear lest his lamp go out before the bridegroom cometh.

We say precisely the same of a Church. The life, the dangers, the duties, the declensions, the revivals, of the single Christian, and those of the society which is made up of single Christians, are parallel. I beseech you, therefore, brethren, that no zeal for the honor of our Church before men, no desire to have her regarded as in the most entire conformity to apostolic pattern, no affectionate wish to exhibit our Jerusalem "as a city that is at unity in itself;" no prayerful anxiety that "peace may be within her walls," may prevent you from realizing that the system of doctrine which is now seeking, by all means, to get possession of our Church, is a direct contradiction of the great doctrines of the Gospel, concerning the way of salvation, as taught in our Church's standards of faith; that unless the name and position of our Church, as *Protestants*, as protesting against the corrupt doctrines of the Church of Rome, be our mark of apostacy from the truth, that whole peculiar system of Tractarian doctrine which so protests against that protest, *must be a lie*; that the footsteps of that system in our Church do indicate an advance which, however it may be seen by some in an exaggerated view, is enough deeply to humble and alarm us, lest our candlestick be taken out of its place. May it set us all to earnest prayer that he who foiled the tempter in the wilderness when the attack was upon his own person as Head of the Church, may cast him down now, when, with an unexampled combination of forces and wiles, he is making the last great assault upon His mystical body!

The sentence selected for the candidate for Confirmation immediately after he has ratified his vows of faithfulness to God against the world, the flesh and the devil, is ours for this conflict with the same enemies—"Our help is in the name of the Lord, who hath made heaven and earth."

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

The Bishop, on motion, appointed the following persons a Committee to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, viz: Rev. A. Bronson, Rev. Mr. Denison, and Mardenbro White.

On motion, the Bishop appointed the following persons a Committee to nominate Delegates to the General Convention, viz: Rev. Messrs. Wing, Guion, and S. A. Bronson, and Messrs. Edward H. Cumming, and Orren Gilbert.

The Rev. G. S. Davis asked and obtained leave of absence from the remaining sittings of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Cumming,

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the assessment due the General Convention, be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the furnishing of the rooms in Bexley Hall, be referred to a Committee of three.

Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address touching the proposed addition to the Constitution of the General Church in reference to the Consecration of Foreign Bishops, be referred to a special Committee of five, who shall report to this Convention.

Resolved, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the system of Weekly Offerings, be referred to a Committee of five.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Dobb and Fairchild, and Dr. Seymour, the Committee on Rooms in Bexley Hall. Also, the Rev. Dr. Brooke, Rev. Messrs. Morse and Britton, and Messrs. B. Wells and Eben Boulton, the Committee on the proposed addition to the Constitution of the General Church. Also, the Rev. Messrs. Lounsbery, Richards and Killin, and Messrs. Northrop and Bayless, the Committee on the Offerings of the Church.

Mr. Cumming offered the following Resolution,

Resolved, That the next meeting of the Annual Convention of this Diocese, be held in Christ Church, Springfield.

The Rev. Mr. Killin moved as an amendment, that the words "Christ Church, Springfield," be stricken out, and "Christ Church, Dayton," be inserted in their place.

After debate, the Resolution and Amendment were, on motion, laid upon the table.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Friday, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After prayer by the Bishop, the roll was called, and the following Lay Delegates appeared and took their seats, viz: Alexander H. Barker, from Grace Church, Sandusky City, Samuel Wright, from Trinity Church, Jefferson.

On motion, it was resolved that a special Committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the state of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and to audit the Treasurer's account with that fund, when presented.

The Bishop appointed James L. Reynolds, Edward H. Cumming and David Griffith, the Committee aforesaid.

The Rev. Mr. Blake, Chairman of the Committee on unfinished business of the last Convention, made the following report, which, on motion, was laid upon the table.

The Committee on unfinished business report the following from the Journal of the last Convention:

Resolved, That the interest of the Diocese of Ohio demand a more thorough knowledge of its past legislation as contained in the Journals of its Conventions since its organization.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed charged with the duty of taking into consideration the practicability of republishing the Journals of the several Conventions of the Diocese of Ohio, from its organization up to the year 1841, inclusive.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare and report to the next Convention, an abstract from the Journal of the Conventions of the Diocese from the first to the present, embracing so much as shall exhibit a correct history of the state of the Diocese from time to time, and the acts and doings of the Conventions, without embracing the details of daily proceedings and other matters of mere temporary interest.

All of which were referred to Rev. Messrs. Muenschner and Wing.

Resolved, That a Sunday School Committee be appointed, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to take charge of our Sunday School Depositories, and report their condition and wants to the next annual Convention.

Referred to Rev. Messrs. Guion and Sturgess, and Messrs. Noble and Swan.

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary be requested to invite twelve gentlemen of the Diocese, six clergymen and six laymen, to attend with them the regular examination of the Seminary and College, and report to the next Convention.

A. BLAKE, } *Com.*
E. ALLING, }

The Committee appointed to nominate Delegates to the General Convention, reported the following names. Clergy:—Rev. Dr. Brooke, and Messrs. Wm. A. Smallwood, John Swan, and Alex. F. Dobb. Laity:—N. G. Pendleton, J. L. Reynolds, H. L. Noble, and H. A. Dubois.

A motion was made to dispense with balloting in the election of Delegates to the General Convention, which motion was negatived. At the call of 5 members, the ballot was then directed, according to the provisions of the Constitution, to be taken by orders.

On motion, it was resolved to proceed to the election of the aforesaid Delegation this day at 3 o'clock, P. M. The following persons were put in nomination as Delegates to the General Convention. Rev. Messrs. Burr, Badger and Bury: and Messrs. I. N. Whiting, J. B. Bayless, and Belamy Storer.

On motion, the subject of nominating Delegates to the General Convention was recommitted to the Committee before appointed, with instructions to report thereon this afternoon.

Demas Adams, Jr., asked and obtained leave of absence from the remaining sittings of the Convention.

The Committee of Examination made the following report, which, on motion, was adopted:

The Committee on the application of new Parishes for union with this Convention, report

That they have examined the documents laid before them, and find that St. Paul's Church, Euclid, has complied with the requisitions of the 38th Canon, and recommend that their application be granted.

In reference to the application of Christ Church, Penfield, Lorain Co., the Committee state that it is defective in one particular, the want of timely notice to the Bishop, but as the Bishop is satisfied with the notice, we recommend that this Parish also be received into union with this Convention.

ALVAH GUION, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Mr. Dobb moved a verbal alteration in Canon XV. Sec. 2, so as to read thus:

Sec. 2. A communicant changing his residence, and thus dissolving his connexion with any Parish, shall be required to present a Certificate of good standing from the Minister of such Parish, or if it have no minister, from one of its Wardens, before being enrolled as a communicant of any parish in this Diocese.

The Canon thus amended was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Mr. Sunderland moved the following additional clause to Canon XV. Sec. 2, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Canons.

"And that it shall be made the duty of each Rector to read this Canon to his congregation at least once a year."

The Convention then, on motion, adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

Friday, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. The Rev. A. Bronson, Chairman of the Committee on Canons, made the following report, which, on motion, was laid upon the table.

Your Committee would recommend that Canon XV. Sec. 2, as verbally amended by Rev. Mr. Dobb, be adopted by the Convention, and that the Convention pass the following resolution, as a substitute for the additional clause proposed by Rev. Mr. Sunderland, to the above Canon.

Resolved, That the Canons of this Diocese be read in every Parish once in each year, at the annual Parish meeting for the election of Wardens and Vestrymen, and the Convention recommend to the Clergy and Wardens in each Parish to see that this resolution is carried into effect.

The Committee on the nomination of Delegates to the General Convention, reported the same ticket as they before reported, which was accepted. The Rev. Messrs. Denison and Britton were appointed Tellers, to receive and count the ballots of the Clergy; and Messrs. B. Wells, and J. B. Bayless, of the Laity.

Rev. Mr. Britton, Rev. Mr. Freeman, and Mr. Booth were nominated as Delegates to the General Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Dobb, Chairman on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the furnishing of the Rooms in Bexley Hall, made the following report, which was accepted.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the furnishing of the rooms in Bexley Hall, respectfully report, that, in their opinion the subject is one of great importance, involving seriously the interests of the Church in the preparation of her candidates for the privations, and labors, and rewards of the ministry. There are, no doubt, many young men, anxiously desirous to devote themselves to the service of the Church, who are hindered by the want of means; others again, who, partially supplied, are yet unable to incur the expense of furnishing themselves with such articles as their necessities require. Your Committee have ascertained that \$50 is a sum sufficient to furnish one set of rooms. What parish in the Diocese able to sustain a minister will not determine to raise this sum during the coming year for this purpose?

Your Committee beg leave to offer the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Convention the rooms in Bexley Hall should be supplied with furniture by the Parishes of the Diocese.

2. *Resolved*, That the clergy of the various Parishes be requested to urge it upon their congregations to make donations, during the coming year, of money, or of such articles as are needed, and as they may find it most convenient to supply.

3. *Resolved*, That a set of rooms thus furnished completely by any one Parish, shall be known by the name of that Parish.

ALEX. F. DOBB,
T. B. FAIRCHILD,
MOSES M. SEYMOUR.

On motion, the report was amended by striking out Resolution 3. After which it was adopted as amended.

The Rev. Dr. Brooke, Chairman of the Committee to which was referred that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the proposed amendment to the Constitution of the General Church, made the following report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee on that part of the Bishop's Address which relates to the proposed amendment of the constitution of the general Church in relation to appointment of Bishops for foreign countries, beg leave to report for consideration the following resolutions.

Resolved, That this Convention approve of the proposed amendment of the Constitution of the general Church in relation to the appointment of Bishops for foreign parts.

Resolved, That the Delegates to the General Convention from this Diocese be, and they are hereby instructed, to use all proper effort to promote the passage of said amendment.

JOHN T. BROOKE, *Chairman.*

The Rev. Mr. Sandels presented the following report of the Missionary and Education Committee, which, after being read, was, on motion, referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

The Missionary and Education Committee would respectfully report to the Convention that out of the funds intrusted to their care 6 Missionary Stations have received aid, viz: Cross Creek, Rev. Mr. Gray, Missionary; Akron, Rev. Mr. Freeman, Missionary; Grafton and Pittsfield, Rev. Mr. Holden, Missionary; Wooster, Rev. Mr. Fairchild, Missionary; Troy, Rev. Mr. Barnes, Missionary; St. Paul's, Columbus, Rev. Mr. Richards, Missionary.

Eight Beneficiaries have received aid from the Committee, six of them students of Kenyon College, and two of the Theological Seminary.

The amount received and paid out during the year is \$944, and there are still owing, to Missionaries about \$325 and to Beneficiaries about \$230, in all about \$555.

The Churches which have contributed to the Diocesan Missionary and Education fund during the year, are the following, viz:

St. Philip's, Circleville, the Churches at Cross Creek, Deersville, Springfield and Hagerstown, St. Andrew's, Elyria, St. James', Wooster, St. Paul's, Steubenville, St. John's, Ohio City, St. Sephen's, Grafton, Bethel Church, Boston, St. Paul's, Norwalk, St. Paul's, Columbus, St. Paul's, Cincinnati, Harcourt Parish, Gambier, St. Luke's, Granville, St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, Christ Church, Hudson, St. Timothy's, Massillon, Christ Church, Springfield, Trinity Church, Cleveland, St. James', Zanesville, St. Peter's, Delaware, Trinity Church, Newark, St. James', Painesville, All Saint's, Portsmouth, Trinity Church, Columbus, St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's, Medina, Grace Church, Sandusky City, St. John's Worthington, Christ Church, Liverpool.

Meetings have been held in the North Western, North Eastern, and Central Convocations, it is believed, with considerable benefit, and the Committee still feel confident that these Missionary Associations, if faithfully carried out, will give increased efficiency to the exertions of individual Rectors and Parishes.

The receipts of the past year (as the Convention will perceive) are greater than those of the preceding year, but the demands made on the Committee have also been greater; for though there are no more Missionaries than heretofore, notwithstanding the whiteness of the fields unto the harvest, yet the good Lord of the harvest has put it into the hearts of a greater number of young men to go out as laborers into the field; and they are saying to your Committee, and through them to the Church, "Here am I, send me." And when

the Lord has said to them, "go work in my vineyard," and when they are ready and willing to go, your Committee dared not forbid them; but trusting in the Church's liberality, and humbly relying on its divine head, they have said to them, "trust in the Lord and go forward," "your bread shall be given and your water shall be sure," "verily ye shall be fed."

Your Committee trust that you will not impose on them the painful necessity of retarding these assurances; but that such measures will be adopted by this Convention and carried out by the several parishes as shall secure more uniform contributions to this object.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SANDELS, *Secretary.*

On motion of Rev. M. Mucnscher,

Resolved, That a Committee of 3, of which the Bishop of the Diocese shall be one, be appointed to re-organize the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen in this Diocese, draw up the necessary By-laws, appoint a Treasurer, receive the subscriptions of members, and do all such other matters in relation thereto, as may be necessary in the premises, and report to the next Convention.

The Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Muenscher and Wing on the aforesaid Committee.

The Tellers appointed to collect and count the ballots for Delegates to the General Convention, reported that 33 ballots had been cast by the Clergy, and 30 by the Laity, and that by concurrent vote the following persons, having a majority, have been duly elected.

Clergy.

Rev. Dr. Brooke,
" Mr. Smallwood,
" Mr. Swan,
" Mr. Dobb,

Laity.

Mr. Pendleton,
Mr. Noble,
Mr. Reynolds,
Mr. Dubois.

The Rev. A. Bronson, Chairman of the Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary reported the names of the same persons who had been elected Delegates to the General Convention.

Leave of absence from the remaining sittings of the Convention was granted to the Lay Delegates from Euclid, Elyria, Wooster, and Christ Church, Cincinnati.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 8½ o'clock, to-morrow morning.

Saturday, 8½ o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After the calling of the roll, the Committee of Examination verbally reported

that Frederick Brown had presented to them his credentials and was entitled to a seat in the Convention, as a Lay Delegate from Christ Church, Hudson. Mr. Brown answered to his name and took his seat.

On motion, the Convention resolved to proceed to the election of **Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.** A motion was then made to dispense with balloting, but it did not prevail. At the call of five members, the vote was directed to be taken by orders. The Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Freeman and Dr. Andrews, Tellers to collect and count the ballots of the Clergy: and Messrs. Barber and Harper, Tellers to collect and count the ballots of the Laity.

The Rev. Mr. Guion, Chairman of the Committee appointed at the last Convention in relation to the Sunday School Depositories, made the following report, which, on motion, was accepted.

The Committee on Sunday School Depositories, appointed at the last Convention, with instructions to report to this Convention, beg leave to report

That they have inquired into the condition of our Sunday School Depositories, and find that there is now on hand books and cash amounting to about \$400. The Committee are of opinion that this sum might be increased, and that much good would result from the establishment of a Depository, not only of Sunday School but also of Church Books and Tracts.

They therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That three Clergymen and three Laymen be appointed, who, with the Bishop as Chairman ex-officio, shall be called a Depository and Sunday School Committee, whose duty it shall be to attend to the purchase and sale of Church and Sunday School books and Tracts, and report annually the state of the Depository to this Convention.

ALVAH GUION, *Chairman.*

The clause in the resolution subjoined to the above report, which provides that the Bishop be chairman ex-officio of the Committee, was, on motion, stricken out. The Report, as amended, was then adopted.

On motion, the Report of the Standing Committee on Canons was taken up from the table and adopted.

The Tellers appointed to count the votes for Trustees of the General Theological Seminary reported that 24 ballots had been cast by the Clergy and 26 by the Laity, and that the following persons, having received a majority of the votes of both orders, are elected

Clergy.

Rev. Dr. Brooke,
 “ W. A. Smallwood,
 “ J. Swan,
 “ A. F. Dobb,

Laity.

N. G. Pendleton,
 H. L. Noble,
 H. A. Dubois,
 J. L. Reynolds.

The Rev. Mr. Fairchild offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That this Convention acknowledge with devout gratitude to God the assistance so seasonably extended to relieve our Diocesan Institution from its embarrassment, by our brethren of other portions of our Church and by those periodicals which have given their countenance to the effort.

The report of the Committee on the unfinished business of the last Convention having been called up, Mr. Cumming proposed the following resolutions, which, on motion, were adopted.

Resolved, That the interests of the Diocese of Ohio demand a more thorough knowledge of its past legislation, as contained in the Journals of its Conventions since its organization.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be charged with the duty of preparing in manuscript an abstract of the Journals of the Conventions of the Diocese from the first to the present time, so as to afford a correct history of the past legislation of the Diocese, without embracing the details of daily proceedings and other matters of mere temporary interest.

A verbal report was made to the Convention, that the attendance of 12 gentlemen at the regular examination of the Diocesan Seminary had not been obtained.

Messrs. Pratt and Boulton asked and obtained leave of absence from the remaining sittings of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Bayless, it was resolved that the publication of the Canons and proceedings of the Conventions in the Diocese of Ohio be published by subscription, under the direction of Rev. Messrs. Muenschner and Wing, and that a subscription be now circulated in the present Convention.

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Mr. Bury, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That Canon IV. be so altered and amended as to conform to the third Article of the Constitution, by the addition, after the words, “one or more lay delegates,” of the following clause, “not exceeding three.”

On motion, the Rev. Messrs. Smallwood, Fairchild and Brooke, and Messrs. Mitchell and Davis, were appointed by the Bishop, a Committee to nominate the several Diocesan Committees.

The resolution offered by Mr. Cumming relative to the place of meeting of the next annual Convention was called up. Mr. Cumming withdrew the name of Christ Church, Springfield, and then the question was taken on filling the blank with the words, Christ Church, Dayton, which was decided in the negative.

The Convention then adjourned till half past 2 o'clock, P. M.

Saturday, 2½ o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After the calling of the roll, the Rev. Mr. Bury moved that Mr. Aaron Clarke, a delegate from Trinity Church, Cleveland, be admitted to a seat in this Convention, which motion prevailed, and Mr. Clarke accordingly took his seat.

The annual Report of the Treasurer of the Convention having been laid upon the table, so much of the report as relates to the Episcopate fund, was, on motion, referred to the special Committee on that fund, and so much as relates to the Contingent fund was referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The Rev. S. A. Bronson moved that the place of meeting of the next annual Convention be Trinity Church, Columbus. Amendments to this motion were offered, by substituting St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, and Christ Church, Cincinnati. A motion was then made by Mr. Reynolds to reconsider the vote passed in the morning, rejecting the proposition for holding the next Convention at Christ Church, Dayton. The motion to reconsider prevailed: and the question was again taken, shall the next Convention be held in Christ Church, Dayton? which was decided in the negative. The vote was then taken on Christ Church, Cincinnati, and passed in the affirmative: so it was determined to hold the next Convention in Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The following Report, made by the Financial Committee of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, to the Trustees of that Institution, having been called for, was submitted, and, on motion, accepted.

The Committee to whom the Treasurer's report was submitted have examined the same, and feel satisfied that the accounts of that officer are correct. Although they have no opportunity of referring to the Books and vouches in the office.

A condensed abstract of the account of Liabilities and Assets show the following as the present state of our financial condition.

Total Liabilities,	\$18,815 90
Available Assets, subject to the control of the Treasurer, including balance due on Ohio Subscription, (which is \$3,871.)	\$9,337 60

Cash in Savings Bank, N. Y., to be appropriated to payment of the above debts, 5,000 00 14,337 50

Balance, \$4,478 30

The above exhibit does not include either class of assets denominated *bad* or *doubtful*. Your Committee believing that as *large* a sum will probably be lost of those denominated *good* as will be realized of those denominated *bad* and *doubtful*.

Neither does it include the land donated by Dr. Hooe, of Virginia, (estimated \$2,000.)

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. L. REYNOLDS,
E. H. CUMMING.

The Rev. Mr. Smallwood, Chairman of the Committee appointed to nominate the several Diocesan Committees, reported the following names.

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPATE FUND.

Wm. Key Bond, David K. Este, Salmon P. Chase.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing,	E. Alling,
“ Samuel Fuller, D. D.,	M. H. Mitchell,
“ Alfred Blake,	H. L. Thrall,
“ John Sandels,	M. White.

STANDING COMMITTEE.

Rev. Samuel Fuller, D. D.,	H. L. Thrall,
“ Joseph Muenschner,	Columbus Delano,
“ M. T. C. Wing,	W. L. Richards.

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Rev. Alvah Guion,	Joseph R. Swan,
“ Alex. F. Dobb,	Arora Buttles,
“ H. L. Richards,	Caleb Howard.

The Rev. Mr. Smallwood, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Missions, made the following report, which was, on motion, accepted.

The Committee on Missions, to whom was referred the annual report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, respectfully state that they have had the same under consideration, and find with pleasure that there has been, during the last year, an increase of funds applicable to Diocesan Missionary and Education purposes, upon the contributions of the previous year, to the amount of \$324; the whole sum received in the twelve months ending this Convention being \$944. They are also happy to learn that the number of beneficiaries in Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary is greater now by three than it was a year ago. These

things are the more agreeable because no extraordinary effort has been made, but the increase of the funds appears to be the result of a more just and general appreciation of the duty of giving to these objects.

But whilst it is exceedingly delightful to witness any enlargement, however small, in the benefactions of the people of God, the Committee would call the attention of the Diocese to the fact that more than \$500 are still due in favor of our missionaries and beneficiaries, and they would earnestly invoke the immediate exercise of the benevolence of the friends of Zion towards the liquidation of this very peculiar debt,—a debt owing to individuals whose narrow circumstances will not allow of delay in the payment of their stipends without consequences of the most painful nature. Let not the Church suffer her laborers, whom she has sent out to preach the gospel, and plant the standard of Christ in new places, where the most intense effort is required, to be diverted from their proper work and shorn of no small measure of their usefulness, by any anxiety about their temporal support. Let her act toward them with such faith,—with such strict punctuality in the performance of her engagements, that her missionaries may have no fear of a moments' delay in the payment of their salaries. Let every member of the Church feel this duty as resting in part on himself, and do what he can for its full discharge. Then, and not till then, we may expect a complete devotion of himself to his work, by him who preaches the gospel, and corresponding results in the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom.

It is manifest, however, that a diocese which contains more than 3000 communicants should not be content with the contribution of one thousand or twelve hundred dollars per annum to diocesan missions, and the education of aspirants for the ministry. Such a sum for each of those objects would look more like coming up to the measure of duty. This result can unquestionably be obtained by proper means for calling out the liberality of our people. And it is hoped that means may be devised which will be of permanent utility, and not merely of temporary and transient effect. Certainly each congregation may contribute to the objects of the Missionary and Education Committee an annual sum equal to one dollar for each of its communicants. Let the call be distinctly made at the monthly or other communion seasons, as suggested by the Bishop's Address, and it can hardly be doubtful that a satisfactory response will be obtained. Not only will communicants contribute, but every baptized member of the Church may be expected to give freely according as the Lord may have blessed him with temporal possessions.

It should never be forgotten that, in consequence of the action of the General Convention of 1835, ours is pledged to be a Missionary Church, if indeed any open and distinct pledge be necessary to clothe the Church with a character essentially comprehended in her original constitution, by which she is ordained for self-extension by the preaching of the gospel to every creature. At any rate, by the most solemn recognition of her obligations, our communion now stands bound to the cause of Missions, and each one of her members by

baptism is engaged to do whatever he can for their promotion. The Committee, therefore, trust that the people of our Church will unite heartily in fulfilling the duties thus devolved upon them, and that, in view of the immense claims for the prosecution of Missions arising from the continually opening fields, no single individual will shrink from the most zealous support of this department of the work of God.

The Rev. Mr. Lounsbery, Chairman of the Committee on Monthly Offerings, submitted a report, which, after being amended, was adopted as follows.

The Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the system of Monthly Offerings, beg leave to make the following report. The subject before the Committee they regard as one of the utmost importance to the vital interests of the Church. No intelligent christian can do otherwise than recognise the obligation to do what he can, by his prayers, his example and his substance, for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom. No one whose heart is truly and deeply imbued with the love of the gospel will *wish to be excused* from such participation. The warm-hearted disciple of Jesus will rather *demand* it, as the inherent right and blessed privilege of his discipleship. On these broad principles, your Committee understand, are based the Missionary character and claims of the Church; and on these rests her *imperative demand* that every one of her baptized children should freely impart of his substance, "according as God hath prospered him," towards that great work which it is the Church's special duty to maintain and carry on.

But the question before the Committee is not of *obligation*, but of the *manner of discharging* that obligation. In selecting a plan for doing this, the prominent objects to be attained are simplicity, regularity and efficiency. There should be as little as possible of machinery and parade. The supplies obtained should be uniform, and such as could always be depended on. *Some* reference ought to be had to the amount of funds likely to be obtained by it, but much more to its *spiritual influence* upon the hearts of those who adopt it. For all these purposes the Committee know of no plan so well adapted as that recommended in the Address of our Bishop, viz: Monthly contributions under the reading of the Offertory. Whether connected with monthly Communion, or separate therefrom, the Committee would leave for the Ministers of the parishes themselves to decide.

But the Committee would respectfully suggest that *much less* depends upon the system adopted than upon the manner and spirit in which that system is carried out. The poorest plan, universally adopted, and steadily carried forward, will effect much more in a given time, than the most perfect system in the absence of a hearty co-operation and an unwearied zeal. The very limited success of former years they attribute not so much to any defect of our plan, as to the fact that in most of our parishes there has been nothing like uniform, habitual, systematic contributions, at all. And their present aim is not so much to mend a system as to secure *co-operation*; from every

Minister, from every parish—from every individual in the whole Diocese, conscientious, uniform, hearty co-operation.

Actuated by these considerations the Committee would respectfully recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolutions, viz: .

Resolved, 1st. That habitual, systematic co-operation in the benevolent operations of the Church, is not a voluntary service, but the sacred, binding *duty* of every one of her members.

Resolved, 2dly. That every parish in this Diocese is hereby earnestly recommended, as soon as practicable, to adopt the system of weekly or monthly contribution, under the offertory.

EDWARD LOUNSBERY,
R. S. KILLIN,
H. L. RICHARDS,
JOHN B. BAYLESS.

The Rev. Mr. Lounsbery moved the adoption of the following resolution, additional to those contained in the above report.

Resolved, That the Ministers of the Diocese here assembled are requested to pledge to our Diocesan Missionary and Education Committee, on behalf of each parish during the current year, a sum equal to one tenth of their respective salaries.

This resolution, after discussion, was laid upon the table.

The Convention then resolved to proceed to the election of a Treasurer for the ensuing year. Ballotting being on motion dispensed with, Henry B. Curtis, Esq., having been nominated, was unanimously re-elected Treasurer.

The reading of the Parochial Reports was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Rev. Mr. Fairchild submitted the following resolutions, which, on motion, were adopted.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention, assisted by two other gentlemen, be a Committee to publish the Journal of the Convention, together with the Constitution and Canons of the Church in this Diocese, and that the number be 700 copies.

Resolved, That the Editor of the Western Episcopalian be requested to publish in that paper the Parochial Reports, as soon as practicable.

The Bishop appointed Rev. Messrs. Wing and Fuller to assist the Secretary in the publication of the Journal.

The Rev. Mr. Muenschel offered the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be, and they are, hereby affectionately tendered to the congregation of St. Timothy's Church, and to the citizens of Massillon generally, for their christian hospitality and kindness to the members of this Convention at its present session

On motion of Rev. Mr. Swan,

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to prepare a statement of the state of the Church in this Diocese, for the General Convention: said Committee to consist of the Clerical Delegates to the General Convention.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Denison, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the preceeding days of this session. The Convention then adjourned to meet after Divine Service in the evening.

Saturday, Evening Session.

Mr. Reynolds, Chairman of the special Committee, to whom was referred the Report of the Treasurer of the Episcopate Fund, submitted the following report, which, on motion, was accepted.

The Committee appointed to inquire into and report upon the condition of the fund for the support of the Episcopate, and to audit the Treasurer's account as far as it relates to said fund, have discharged that duty and respectfully report,

That they have examined the account of the Treasurer and believe it to be correct, and while unusual promptitude and liberality has been manifested on the part of *many* parishes, there are a *few* which have signally failed in the discharge of their duty in this respect.

There appears to be now due the Bishop on last year's salary, after deducting the \$500 remitted by him, the sum of \$396.29 beyond the means in the Treasurer's hands to liquidate. And your Committee cannot but believe that a sufficient sum to discharge this obligation will speedily be realized from delinquent parishes.

It will be recollected that the Canon directing the method of providing this fund contemplates its payment semi-annually in *advance*. But the *practice* hitherto has been to pay very little of it until the *expiration* of the year.

The Committee beg leave to draw the attention of the clergy and laity *particularly* to this fact, and express the conviction that *earlier* attention to the subject would obviate the existing difficulties attendant upon collecting.

We submit the following apportionment for the ensuing year, believing it to approximate as nearly to equality as is practicable, to wit:

Christ Church, Cincinnati,	200	St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	75
St. Paul's, " "	125	St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	10
Trinity, Cleveland,	100	Christ Ch., Spring., Clarke co.	20
Trinity, Columbus,	90	St. James', Painsville,	30
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	85	St. James', Boardman,	15
St. James', Zanesville,	85	St. Paul's, Steubenville,	50
St. Paul's, Columbus,	20	St. Paul's, Medina,	30
St. Timothy's, Massillon,	40	St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	30
St. Luke's, Marietta,	20	Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	60
St. Luke's, Granville,	40	St. Philip's, Strongsville,	10
Grace, Berkshire,	20	Grace, Sandusky City,	30

St. James', Piqua,	50	Grace, Cincinnati,	15
St. Matthew's, Madison,	10	St. James', Wooster,	15
St. John's, Worthington,	20	S. John's, Springfield,	5
St. Peter's, Delaware,	40	St. Mark's, Newton Falls,	10
St. John's, Ohio City,	20	St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,	10
Trinity, Newark,	55	St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	45
St. Philip's, Circleville,	75	All Saints', Portsmouth,	50
Trinity, Troy,	10	St. James', Cross Creek,	20
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	35	St. Stephen's, Grafton,	5
Christ Church, Dayton,	50	St. Paul's, Akron,	20
Trinity, Lyme,	10	Christ Church, Hudson,	10
Christ Church, Liverpool,	5	St. Michael's, Unionville,	2
St. Andrew's, Elyria,	10	St. Matthew's, Plymouth,	7
Trinity, Jefferson,	5	St. Peter's, Rome,	2
Trinity, Cincinnati,	5	St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,	5
St. Paul's, Greenville,	5	Trinity, Toledo,	15
St. Paul's, Maumee,	25	St. John's, Lancaster,	15
Bethel, Boston,	5	Zion Church, Dresden,	5
St. John's, Dover,	5	St. John's, Wakeman,	5
St. Luke's, Columbia,	5	St. James', Batavia,	2
Christ Church, Huron,	15	St. Paul's, Euclid,	2
Christ Church, Franklin,	5	Christ Church, Penfield,	2
Christ Church, Warren,	5		

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. L. REYNOLDS,
E. H. CUMMING,
DAVID GRIFFITH.

Dr. Andrew's, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee of finance to whom has been referred so much of the Treasurer's report as relates to the Contingent Fund of the Diocese, report the condition of said fund to be as follows:

Amount due on previous assessments with the assessments of the last Convention together were	\$691 65
The Treasurer has collected of the above, the sum of \$335	
and the amount now due of the above is \$356 65,	\$691 65
The Treasurer reports the amount in his hands at last Convention, \$76 43, and collections made by him within the year, \$335,	\$411 43
The Treasurer has paid various accounts chargeable to said fund \$149 54, and has in hand cash, \$261 89,	\$411 43
The Committee report the present Liabilities of the Convention to be—for printing Journal of 1843, \$136 10, Assessment of the Diocese to the General Convention, \$33 50, and a bal. of previous dues, \$221 92,	\$391 52
The amount in the hands of the Treasurer to meet the above is \$261 89, leaving a balance of \$129 63, to meet which there is due on assessments from the Parishes	\$356 65

Out of which sum it is presumed sufficient will be realized to meet said liabilities.

In the above statement there is no provision made for the payment of the Delegates to the next General Convention. Still the Committee do not deem it expedient, under existing circumstances, to recommend any increase upon the assessments made by the last Convention; and they therefore Report for adoption by Convention the same ratio of assessments adopted last year.

Mr. Cumming offered the following Resolution, which, on motion, was adopted.

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Episcopate Fund be directed to take immediate measures to procure the services of a suitable agent to visit every Parish and every Episcopalian in the Diocese of Ohio, and solicit contributions in money, or in such property as may be converted into money, which, as fast as received by the Trustees of said fund, shall be funded, and the interest arising thereon, added to the principal, until the same shall amount to \$10,000: and shall then be paid over to the Episcopate; and the Trustees be furnished by the Secretary with a copy of this resolution.

On motion of Mr. Cumming,

Resolved, That the thanks of the Convention be, and they are, hereby tendered to the Treasurer of the Diocese for the efficient discharge of the duties of his office, during the past year.

The Rev. Mr. Blake was then, on motion, appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee.

The Convention, after singing, prayer, and the Episcopal benediction, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE,
Bishop of the Diocese.

Attest,

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary.*

APPENDIX.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

CHRIST CHURCH, DAYTON.

The Rev. E. Allen reports to the Bishop, that in December last he resigned the charge of this Church, where he had labored for more than thirteen years. There, where at the commencement of his labors there was no parish, but 2 communicants—no church edifice, no Episcopal Sunday School—he had the happiness to see at the time he left, a parish numbering upwards of 60 families, with 63 communicants (one of which was added after the last Convention) a substantial church edifice, now entirely out of debt save a small balance due the late rector, and an encouraging Sunday School. When this parish was organized it was the second in the Miami Valley north of Cincinnati; now it is only one out of six. Baptisms of infants since last Convention to the time of his leaving, 7. May God abundantly bless the labors of his successor for Jesus' sake.

TRINITY CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. ETHAN ALLEN.

The Rev. Ethan Allen reports to the Bishop, that on the last Sabbath of December last he commenced his services in connection with this Parish, and continued them till the first of July, when becoming satisfied that the services which he had conducted in the chapel of Woodward College would not materially further the interests of the parish, they were discontinued. He found a Sunday school in operation when he came here which is still continued. Besides officiating 54 times in this parish, he has preached 6 times in Grace Church in this city, 3 times at St. Paul's, 5 at Christ Church, 6 times in Covington, Ky., and 2 in Newport, Ky., 3 times in Kanawha Co., Va., 2 in Hamilton, Ohio, 6 times in Dayton, 2 in Mt. Vernon, and 2 in Springfield, Clark county, Ohio.

The church edifice, the corner-stone of which was laid by you on the 10th of April last at your visitation in this city, is in progress. The walls are more than half up and the brick are on the ground for completing them. The building is 55 feet by 40 and will have 72 pews. The lot, estimated to be worth \$1,200, was presented by N. G. Pendleton, Esq. Funds are secured for the finishing the work, and when completed it will be free from debt. It is hoped that the Church will be ready to be occupied for worship during the fall, when services in this parish may be resumed again.

REV. N. DADGER.

Reports, that besides attending to his duties in Milnor Hall, he has in connection with Rev. Mr. Blake, held regular services once in two weeks during the greater part of the year in

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, PERRY.

This parish, it is believed, contains 27 communicants; but it is so far from Gambler, and its members are so much scattered that we have not been able to visit all of them, and there having been formerly no register in the parish, we are not able to make a more definite report.

REV. A. BLAKE

Reports, that in addition to preaching in Rosse Chapel, in his turn, he has since January last, preached one-fourth of the time in St. Matthew's, Perry, also four times in Mansfield, and occasionally in other places.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHILLICOTHE.

REV. JAMES B. BRITTON, RECTOR.

The Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, respectfully reports to the Bishop that during the past conventional year, he has solemnized 3 Marriages, Baptised 10 Infants and 2 adults, and attended 4 Funerals.

Of Communicants there have been added 18, 7 have removed, and one has withdrawn, making the present number 106; several of these are in the country. At the last celebration of the Holy Eucharist, 70 of the regular communicants were at the Lord's table.

There are 10 actual candidates for Confirmation, all of whom have communed.

Contributions have been as follows:—For Foreign Missions \$20, Diocesan \$16; liquidation of Church debt by sale of property, ladies' fair and subscription, about \$1,200; assessment for the Bishop's Salary \$70, for Convention \$15, Sunday School \$10, Communion offerings during the year have amounted to \$115 85.

The Sunday School consists of 12 teachers and 50 scholars. The children of the parish are regularly catechised, "openly in the church," that is as many as can be persuaded to come. Missionary services have been performed at Lancaster several times, at Kingston, Bourneville and Hillsboro' each once. Our entire church debt, has been assumed by the Senior Warden, and now amounts to about \$400. The parsonage has been entirely paid for, and reflects great credit on the parish. Negotiations are on foot for the purchase of a cemetery.

With humility the rector of St. Paul's would look back upon the past year as one of apparent spiritual deadness, when compared with the preceding one, and yet in hope that if not a year of plentiful harvest, it has been one of seed-time.

The services of the Church, with but a few intermissions, have been regularly and fully performed on Sundays and Wednesday evenings and the principal festivals and fasts, and whenever absent, lay-reading has been kept up once on the Lord's day.

The aim has been to preach the Gospel and maintain the Church in her integrity. To Him who gives the increase be all the glory for any good done. That more has not been done for the promotion of his glory who "though rich, for our sakes' became poor, that we through his poverty might be rich," ought to be an occasion of shame and confusion of face to both pastor and people.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GRANVILLE,

REV. S. A. BRONSON, RECTOR.

Baptisms, adults 4, infants 3, total 7. Confirmed, 10. Communicants, added from other Churches 3, new 10, removed 6, withdrawn 1, dropped 1, present number 65. Marriages 3. Funerals 3. Coll. for benevolent objects abroad, \$28, for Bishop's Salary \$30 from the Parish, and \$10 from the Female Seminary. Subscription to liquidate the Church

debt \$1,207. The liabilities of the Granville Female Seminary have been reduced from about \$2000 to 400. The greater part of this latter sum we hope and expect to obtain from abroad. The Seminary is ably conducted under the rectorship of Rev. A. Sanford, and is in a flourishing condition. The religious interests of the parish appear to be progressing. We are blessed with uninterrupted harmony, and with occasional evidences of the working of the Holy Spirit.

BETHEL CHURCH, BOSTON.

REV. A. BRONSON, RECTOR.

This parish has been much reduced by removals within the year; and none have been added to the communion. The state of religion, on the whole, is unusually low. Communicants 20. Baptisms, Infants 2. Marriage 1. Contributions for purposes abroad \$9.

CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. JOHN T. BROOKE, D. D., RECTOR.

Baptisms, adults 4, Infants 23—27. Marriages 9. Confirmations 25. Burials 16. New Communicants added 10, added on certificate 6, died 9, removed 12,—present number of Communicants 161.

Average monthly contributions about \$50. Benevolent contributions in other modes for the erection of churches and other religious objects about \$1200.

REV. J. L. BRYAN,

Reports to the Bishop that he has during the past year been engaged in preaching the Gospel of peace in the following places, viz: Windsor, Rome, and Batavia; at the latter he has preached one-fourth of the time with the exception of 3 or 4 months during winter. As yet he can see no visible fruit from the seed which he has sown in this part of the Gospel field.

At Rome he has preached since Easter one-half of the time with some encouragement that his labor here has not been altogether in vain in the Lord; this people being now alive to the important subject of religion, and give evidence of it in renewed efforts to support the Gospel among them. The ladies, ever foremost in works of benevolence, have formed themselves into a working society, to aid by their exertions the parish in supporting a preached Gospel.

Statistics.—Windsor, Marriages 3; Baptism, infant 1; Funerals 3; Communicants the same. Batavia, Communicants 12. Rome, Communicants 15; Confirmed 3; raised for contingent fund of Convention \$1, fund of the Episcopate \$1 89—total \$2 89.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH.

REV. ERASTUS BURR, RECTOR.

Baptisms, Infants 14, adults 2—16. Confirmed, 19. Communicants, removed 7, suspended 2, stricken from the list under Canon xv., 3, added 12, present number 104. Marriages 4. Funerals 8. Sunday Scholars, average attendance 98, teachers 26. Contributions in aid of building churches \$57. for Foreign Missions \$20, Domestic Missions \$50, Diocesan \$25, for support of the Episcopate \$50, besides other and smaller sums for various objects.

Of the present state of the parish I can say nothing especially favorable. The congregation is growing in numbers—I hope also in faith and holiness. The Sunday school is large; of the 26 teachers all are communicants but three. The additions to the commu-

nion during the past year, it will be seen have been only sufficient to make up for removals and names stricken off.

May the Lord revive his work in our midst, and permit us again, as in many times past, to experience the refreshing presence of his Spirit.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OHIO CITY.

REV. WM. M. BURTON, RECTOR,

Respectfully reports to the Bishop as follows:—Baptisms, adults 11, infants 9,—total 20. Confirmed, 22. New Communicants 23, received from abroad 2—total added, 25; removed 3, withdrawn 2, set aside 1, lost by death 4,—total lost 10; present number 79. Marriage 1. Monthly Offerings \$23 99. Sunday School books \$11 07. Contingent Fund \$10. Episcopate Fund \$11. Missions \$15 14.

TRINITY CHURCH, CLEVELAND.

REV. RICHARD BURY, RECTOR.

The parochial report of Trinity Church, Cleveland, for the year past, is as follows:—Baptisms, adults 2, infants 35—37. Communicants added, 14 communing for the first time, 23 received from other parishes—37. Lost by deaths, removals &c., 23,—present number as actual communicants, about 165. Confirmations 16. Marriages 4. Funerals 28. S. S. Scholars, average attendance 70 to 90; Male and Female Superintendents 1 each, and 12 to 15 teachers. Contribution to Education and Missionary Society of the Diocese \$28 66. Domestic Committee of General Society \$30 00. To Rev. Mr. Gillet towards building church, &c., in Houston, Texas, \$26 00. Support of Episcopate \$100 00. Diocesan Assessment \$23 00. Communion Alms for the poor \$159 08. Also paid half year's assessment for the Episcopate, \$50 00, in advance, according to the canon. For Sunday School Library and Instruction books \$30 to \$40 00. Instalments on subscriptions for Seminary and College. Given an occasional service elsewhere on week days and once on Sunday.

The religious condition of the parish, not without reason for thankfulness and encouragement, yet abundant room for improvement.

ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, CIRCLEVILLE.

REV. A. CLARK, RECTOR.

The Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville, resigned his charge on the 4th of July last. He has the following report to present of the present condition of the parish:—Communicants, removed 6, died 2, withdrawn 3, added 8, present number 88. Baptisms, adults 1, infants 11—12. Marriages 5. Funerals 11. Paid for Missions, Diocesan \$40 00, Foreign \$50 00—\$90 00.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ELYRIA.

REV. G. S. DAVIS, RECTOR.

The parochial report of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria, is as follows:—Baptisms, infants 6. Communicants added 4,—present number of Communicants 36. Confirmations 8. Marriages 2. Funerals 6. Sunday School Scholars 23, Teachers 4. Collections: Communion \$14, Domestic Missions \$10, Episcopate \$18, improvements on the church \$75,—\$117.

The general condition of St. Andrews, good; growth slow and stable. I have labored in the towns round about as much as I could. In St. John's, Dover, preached 10 times,

baptized infants 2; presented for confirmation 1. Preached 12 times in Penfield, and assisted in organizing Christ Church. Baptized infants 4. Preached in Christ Church, Franklin Mills, and baptized 1 infant.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, DELAWARE, OHIO.

Communicants added since last convention 7. Baptisms, adults 2, infants 18—total 20. Sunday Scholars about 100, Teachers 17. The corner stone of a new gothic Church was laid on the 10th July, by the Rev. Alex F. Dobb, rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

The Rev. E. H. Canfield of Virginia has accepted an invitation to the rectorship, and will enter on his duties on the first Sunday of October. C. HOWARD.

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK.

REV. GEORGE DENISON, RECTOR.

This Church has suffered greatly from a variety of causes, during the past year. The removals from the parish have been unparalleled in its history. Four or five families and some individuals, embracing eleven communicants,—several other adults, and many children, have left us, and several more are known to be preparing to follow—all, save one, of them have removed from the State.

Under all these circumstances however, the congregation has not diminished—although its pecuniary ability undoubtedly has. The parish has, nevertheless, paid the same amount as before to the Episcopate and Diocesan funds. The additional amount assessed last year, the rector cannot collect.

The statistics of the parish are as follows:—Burials 5. Marriages 3. Baptisms 11, one adult. Confirmed, 5. Communicants added, by profession 4, by record 5—9. Removed 11, suspended 3, withdrawn 2—16; now on record 93.

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBUS

REV. ALEXANDER F. DOBB, RECTOR.

Baptisms, adults 4, infants 26—total 30. Marriages 7. Funerals 14. Confirmed 0, the Bishop having been Providentially hindered from visiting the parish. Communicants added, new 9, from other churches 6, died 1, suspended 1, present number about 125. Sunday Schools as heretofore. Besides the societies mentioned in the last report, a Ladies' sewing circle has been organized, which meets once a week. The contributions to Missions, &c., during the year, have been several hundred dollars, to the Bishop's salary sixty-eight. The Bible Class has been suspended during the summer, and the parish has suffered much inconvenience from the necessity of worshipping in the lecture-room several months, during the enlargement and repair of the church edifice. This improvement, began a year ago, is now nearly completed; thirty two new pews have been added, most of which are sold, the rest rented; a reading-desk has been placed in the chancel, and a vestry-room built convenient to the pulpit. The church has been thoroughly renewed throughout; by the generosity of one of our ladies, carpeted; and is now one of the neatest and most commodious in the Diocese. The prospects of usefulness now before him are such as to give the rector cause for gratitude and praise. The cost of the whole, when completed, will probably not be less than thirty-five hundred dollars.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BOARDMAN.

REV. J. T. EATON, RECTOR,

Reports, Baptisms 3 infants. Funerals 5. Persons confirmed 7. Communicants added 5, died 3, present number 50. Amount contributed to the Episcopate (assessment for the year now closed 15 dollars, towards liquidating arrearages 30) 45 dollars.

The Female Missionary Society of long standing in the Parish, continue their monthly meeting for reading, prayer and charitable industry, and have hitherto devoted their earnings principally towards the support of their own unworthy Missionary. A Sunday School is kept up in Canfield by two or three communicants of the church, but the number of children in the parish is very small and scattered. The minister's services have been suspended about three months during the year by the failure of his health, which, however through the mercy of the Lord, is in a good degree restored.

REV. ABRAHAM EDWARDS,

Missionary at Raccoon, Gallia county, Ohio, reports to the Bishop, that since last convention he has been enabled to supply this parish with regular ministrations with the exception of two Sundays, which he spent at Pittsburgh, Pa., during which time he preached five times in the Welsh language to his fellow countrymen, and collected \$66 75 while remaining there towards paying a small debt that was still on our church. It gives me pleasure to state, in reference to the present condition of this parish, that by the blessing of God, it is in the enjoyment of a good degree of prosperity in a spiritual point of view.

Baptisms, 8 infants. There have been added to the number of communicants 14, removed 9, present number 76. Marriages 2. Burials 4. Sunday scholars 100. Teachers 16.

REV. R. S. ELDER,

Respectfully reports to the Bishop, that from various causes he was induced to resign the rectorship of St. John's Church, Worthington, on last Easter. Since that time he has been engaged preaching in the following places, viz: half the time at Grace Church, Berkshire, where he has baptized 1 infant, solemnized 2 marriages, and administered the Lord's Supper twice. He has also visited St. Mark's, Millcreek, 3 times and baptized 1 infant, administered the Lord's Supper 1. This parish is much in want of the services of a faithful clergyman.

For the statistics of these parishes he refers to the reports of their late rectors in the journal of last year.

He has received and accepted a call to St. John's Church Worthington, and Grace Church Berkshire, his time to be equally divided between the two parishes.

REV. T. B. FAIRCHILD,

Resigned the charge of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls, on Easter Monday, at which time the state of the parish was as follows, viz: Communicants 65. Baptisms, infants, 1. Burials 7. Candidates for confirmation 14, of whom 13 have since come forward for the ordinance.

On Sunday after Easter he entered upon the rectorship of St. James' Church, Wooster, which he reports as follows: Communicants 36, of which 4 have been added by removal and four by profession since Easter. Baptisms, 1 infant. Marriages 1. Burials 1. Confirmations 5. Sunday scholars average number 75. Teachers 16.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, AKRON.

REV. L. N. FREEMAN, RECTOR,

Reports the state of his parish as follows: The Church edifice which was in the course of erection, when he last reported to the convention of this Diocese, is now completed. It was opened for divine services, for the first time, on Christmas-eve, and was consecrated by our beloved Diocesan, to the worship and service of Almighty God, on the second day

of June. It is quite a beautiful and commodious building, and furnished with carpets, lamps, stoves, &c. The furniture was purchased by the commendable liberality of the Ladies Sewing Society. To the zeal and liberality of its members, the parish will, also, be indebted for a large organ, which is now being set up in the Church, the expense of which they engage to meet. The parish has been provided with a communion service by the generous kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Weld, of Boston, Mass., and, also, with a surplice by a lady in New York city. The rector regrets to say, that there is a debt hanging over the Church, of four hundred dollars, a part of which arises from the non-redemption of pledges and promises made to him in behalf of the parish.

Baptisms, children 22. Confirmations 21. Communicants received 16, removed 1, present number 68. Burials 5. Scholars in Sunday School 60, Teachers 12. Collected for Sunday School Library \$28, for the Episcopate 15, for Convention Fund 4, for parochial purposes 113, for benevolent objects 50, total \$210.

There was a mistake made by the printer of the Journal of the last Convention in giving the number of communicants in this parish. It should have been fifty-three instead of seventy-five.

HARCOURT PARISH, GAMBIER.

REV. SAMUEL FULLER, D. D., RECTOR.

The present rector began his duties in this parish, in October last, and has since, with few exceptions, officiated once every Lord's day. During the winter months, an expository lecture on Thursday evening was sustained by the Bishop, to whom the parish is under great obligations for his valuable services and long-continued care. A monthly missionary meeting is held in connexion with the Society of Inquiry, composed of students in Kenyon College and the Theological Seminary, when reports are read respecting the various portions of the missionary field; and through the exertions of the members of this society, the circulation of the Spirit of Missions in the parish has been increased. In the Sunday School, which is in a vigorous condition, are 80 scholars and 16 teachers, and the library for their use has been very considerably enlarged. In the vicinity, are three other Sunday Schools, taught by College and Seminary students, which include 105 pupils. This "charitable work" could with advantage be very greatly extended. The Kenyon College Bible Society having undertaken to supply one half of Knox county with the Holy Scriptures, three townships have during the year been visited by students, who distributed 85 copies of the whole Bible, and 105 copies of the New Testament.

Since the last Convention, there have been 10 baptisms, 1 adult and 9 infants; and 5 Burials. The grave yard attached to Rosse Chapel is often used by the people of the neighborhood who are not connected with the parish, perhaps in some instances with the feeling expressed by a young man, who died during the last winter, about 40 miles distant. It was a wild, secluded, neglected region where he lived—no church near—no minister of the Lord Jesus to visit him during his painful sickness, and point his anxious soul to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world. But if he must waste away and die thus destitute of the ministrations of the Gospel, he could not endure the thought of being thus interred. "*Bury me in some religious place,*" was his last injunction to his stricken parents. "Where?" asked his father. "In Gambier," was his reply, where, when a boy, he had once resided: and though it was mid-winter, and the roads were in their roughest state, and the weather was the severest of the season, for two cold and tedious days did his father and mother, a communicant in the Church, slowly follow the body of their son, that they might, in compliance with his dying request, lay it down in a "place," where the religion of Christ is known and honored, there to sleep till He, who is the Resurrection and the Life, shall bid the mouldering dust live again. While the freezing wind was howling through the leafless trees, I read over him our service for the Burial of the Dead, and as I turned away from his half filled grave and his weeping relatives,

and walked towards my study, and reflected on all the circumstances of his affecting case. I thought that seldom had I listened to so impressive an appeal in behalf of planting the institutions of the Church among the growing multitude, who are our fellow citizens and very neighbors.

Connected with families in Gambier are 70 Communicants, among the students 28, making the whole number 98. The Lord's Supper is administered the first Sunday of every month when, at the reading of the "Offertory," the "alms and oblations" of the congregation are received. The sum thus collected during the year amounts to \$202 54; of which \$59 87 was for Missions within the Diocese, and 54 15 for the use of the Education Committee. These, with other contributions, amounting to 68 50, has enabled the parish to remove its name from the list of delinquents on the Journal of the Convention. In addition, the Ladies' Sewing Circle has, by the proceeds of their Fair, held at the Commencement season, contributed over \$200 towards the completion of Rose Chapel which, it is hoped, will be entirely finished in the course of a few months. The Lord of the harvest be praised for his unmerited goodness; and may he ever give us richly his blessing, which is life, and his loving kindness, which is better than life.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, CROSS CREEK.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, RECTOR.

Smithfield Post Office, Jefferson County.

I have regularly preached in this Church each alternate Sunday during the past year. Also on week days among those members that are infirm, or live at a distance from the Church. We have been frequently called to suffer from the death or removal of our members.

Marriages 4. Baptisms, infant 2, adult 1—3. Funerals 4. Communicants added 13, died 4, removed 6, total 78. Contributed for Assessment \$19, towards the Episcopate \$20. Diocesan Missions \$2 15,—total \$41 15.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. CLAIRSVILLE.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, MISSIONARY.

I have preached in this parish each alternate Lord's day since the Spring. The congregation is attentive, and some of the young people appear to feel the importance of vital religion. I have also preached every four weeks, three miles south of St. Clairsville. Baptisms, infants 5, adults 3, total 8, Funerals 3. Communicants added 2, died 2, total 19. Contributed to Diocesan Missions \$7 95.

ST. ALBAN'S, DEERSVILLE, HARRISON CO.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, MISSIONARY.

I preached to this congregation every four weeks, till I was obliged to leave them, to supply St. Clairsville in the Spring. Our prospects were very encouraging. Two communicants have died triumphantly happy during the past year. Contributed towards Diocesan Missions \$4 16. Communicants died 2, total 18.

I have preached a few times at St. John's Church, Springfield, while the parish was vacant, besides exchanging with my brethren in Steubenville, Wheeling, and Wellsburgh, Va.

REV. WILLIAM GRANVILLE.

Rt. Rev. Sir,—My absence from home is the occasion of my sending you my Report, as I do not expect to return soon enough to attend our Convention. My purpose is to stay East until after the General Convention, at which I expect to be present.

I continued with the parish of Medina until Jan. 29, 1844, when I thought it expedient to resign my rectorship. At the time I left, there were 110 Communicants. There had been 19 Confirmations, 2 Funerals, and 3 Marriages. Baptisms I do not recollect, as I have no record with me.

I also declined serving St. Luke's Parish, Columbia, in April, and therefore know nothing of their statistics.

I preached in Strongsville one Sabbath; also one Sabbath in Ohio City, and since in Maine have supplied once for the Rev. Mr. Burgess Augusta, and twice for Rev. Mr. Babcock, Gardiner.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK, AND ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CUYAHOGA FALLS.

REV. ALVAN GUION, RECTOR.

Statistics of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, up to May 6th, 1844, when resigned. Baptisms, infants 4. Candidates for Confirmation 9. Communicants added 4, died 1. present number 70. Marriage 1. Funerals 5. Contributed towards the support of the Episcopate \$50. For Missions \$20. And for the payment of the old debts of the Parish \$430.

One Sunday has been spent in the destitute parish of St. John's Church, Wakeman, and the Holy Communion administered.

Having accepted the Rectorship of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls, I entered upon my duties in this Parish on the 31st of May.

Baptism 1 infant. Confirmed 12. Communicants removed, (as informed by the Warden) from two to three years ago, 12. removed since I took charge of the parish 4, added 3, present number 53. Funerals 2. Raised for Episcopate \$30, and for Sunday School Library \$15. This parish has for a long time suffered under a heavy debt amounting to nearly \$2,200. I am happy to say that the whole amount has been subscribed in the Parish, and that it is now free from debt.

During the past Summer I have regularly held a third service on Sundays, either in Christ Church, Franklin, or in some School house within the bounds of the Parish of St. John's. Communicants added to Christ Church, Franklin, 4, present number 48.

I have preached 3 times in St. Paul's, Akron, baptized the Rector's child, and during his absence, attended one Funeral.

Have also spent several days in Columbianna, a destitute County, and preached in New Lisbon and East Liverpool. During the year I have attended three meetings of the North Western, and two of the North Eastern Convocations.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ASHTABULA.

REV. JOHN HALL, RECTOR.

To the Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of Ohio, respectfully reports the state of the parish and the ministrations therein during the last conventional year as follows:—Families 46, containing baptized persons of all ages, 251, baptized males of 21 years and upwards 51, baptized females of 18 years and upwards 76—total 127 Adults. Baptisms, infant 3, adult 3,—total 6. Confirmations 39. Communicants, removed 5, died 2, added 34—total 127. Marriages 2. Deaths of Adults 5. The sermons and lectures in public with as many morning and evening services in this Church, have been 116: besides many other lectures accompanying the catechising of the children, and parochial visits. The people have been "taught publicly and from house to house." The sick have often been visited, with the Office for the Visitation of the Sick, and other prayers. The Holy Communion has been administered in the Church on Sundays 46 times, and to the sick 5 times—total 51 times. By sickness and other Providential causes, 10 services, 10 sermons and lectures and 3 communions have been prevented. Besides the above services

by the rector, the Rev. Mr. Sunderland, by his request, officiated one Sunday, performing morning and evening service, preaching two sermons, and assisting in the ministration of the Holy Communion. The rector of this parish has attended 2 Funerals with the burial service and sermon at each in St. Michael's, Unionville. In this parish too, he has had the pleasure of visiting most of his old parishioners. In St. John's Church, Dover, he officiated one Sunday, performed morning and evening service, preached two sermons and administered the holy communion. At Hudson he attended Convocation, read service once, and preached once. At Painesville he also attended Convocation, read service once and preached once. At the latter place he visited many of his old parishioners and had the great pleasure of learning how well this beloved people were doing under the care of their present pastor, pursuing the same gratifying course as under his immediate predecessor.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GRAFTON.

REV. L. L. HOLDEN, MISSIONARY,

Reports that since October last, his time has been divided between St. Stephen's, Grafton, and Calvary Church, Pittsfield. He has also held a third service in Penfield during part of the Spring and most of the Summer, on the Sunday that he preached in Grafton.

The state of the Church in Grafton seems more favorable than in former days. The debt which has so long rested upon, and so much discouraged them, has been assumed by individual members of the parish and vicinity, and it is hoped, will all be paid the coming year, when the last installment of \$400 becomes due. It has cost each individual a great effort, and many of them quite a sacrifice, to meet the payments; but they have done it cheerfully, with a seeming desire for the welfare of Zion. The Society subscribed \$150 towards the support of their minister during the past year, and have generally been punctual in their payments. It is hoped that if they can be assisted by the Missionary Society the coming year, they will then be able to support a clergyman three-fourths of the time.

Collections for Missionary and Educational purposes \$20 65, Bishop's Salary and Contingent Fund 10 25. Baptisms, adults 3, infants 3—6. Confirmations, 6 at Grafton and 2 at Liverpool, total 8. Marriage 1. Addition to Communicants by profession 6, from another parish 2—8, loss by formation of parish at Penfield 4, present number 40.

CALVARY CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

REV. L. L. HOLDEN, MISSIONARY.

Confirmations, 2 in Pittsfield, 1 at Elyria and 1 at Cuyahoga Falls, total 4. Number of Communicants 11, Died 1, removed 2, about to remove 2, and perhaps 4 or 5. Collections for Missions \$1 21.

CHRIST CHURCH, PENFIELD.

Was organized Aug. 13th, 1844, and is now before the Convention to be received into connection with it. The number of Communicants are 8,—four being candidates for confirmation, and four formerly members of St. Stephen's Church, Grafton, Baptisms, infant 4, by Rev. G. S. Davis.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOWER SANDUSKY.

REV. HUMPHREY HOLLISS.

Congregation, Families 25 or 30. Baptisms, infant 1. Communicants on record 5. Burial 1. Public services on Sundays 14. Contributed to the Episcopate Fund \$10, Contingent Fund \$3.

The first public service performed by the present incumbent being July 21st he is now qualified to give a very satisfactory report. He found a very attentive and interesting congregation, a kind welcome, and a chaste Gothic Church, nearly completed. Meeting, as we still do, in an inconvenient room, liable to an interruption of our morning services one-half of the time, we cannot speak as definitely of our congregation as we can after we are settled in our new church, and the sacrament of the Lord's Supper has been administered. It is designed to commence a Sunday school in a few weeks.

CHRIST CHURCH, DAYTON.

REV. R. S. KILLIN, RECTOR.

My duties as Rector of this Parish commenced with the first Sabbath of February of this year. Since then there has been a large and encouraging increase of attendants on all the services of the Church. All the indications are such as justify anticipations of future prosperity. Communicants added 6. Baptisms 9. Burials 4. Marriages 3. Contributions to Missions \$61. Episcopate and Diocesan expenses \$52.

GRACE CHURCH, SANDUSKY CITY.

REV. EDWARD LOUNSBERRY, RECTOR.

The present rector took charge of this parish on the 24th of December last. Previous to that date the parish had been for a long time vacant. The congregation, however, was very well sustained by regular lay services, and the rector entered upon his labors with a zealous and united people to sustain him. The anticipations of success, he is happy to be able to state, have been abundantly realized. During the season of Lent, a deeply solemn religious feeling pervaded the whole parish. Almost all were earnestly seeking an answer to the query of the astonished Jailer, while not a few, it is hoped, were brought by the Holy Spirit through the "strait gate," into the "narrow way" of eternal life.

The statistics of the parish are as follows:—Baptisms, adults 15, infants 5—total 20. Confirmations 29. Marriages 3. Funerals 5. Number of Communicants, added 30, lost by death 1, by removal 2, by discipline 1, total 4. Present number 61.

The contributions of the parish for the last eight months are:—for Diocesan Missions \$40. Communion Alms \$40. Diocesan Assessment \$30. To other objects of benevolence \$50. No collections for Missionary purposes have been made in church. The system of Weekly Offerings, deposited in the Vestibule of the church, has been adopted; and the Rector would wish to place on record his conviction of its entire efficiency in any parish where it is fully carried out.

He would also take this occasion to report to the Bishop that he has been constrained by ill health, to resign the charge of this interesting field of labor, after the 24th of the present month.

ST. PAUL'S PARISH, EUCLID.

This Parish has so recently been organized that our Report to the Convention will be limited. Confirmations 6. Communicants 14. A Sabbath School was organized early in the Spring, the whole number of Scholars and Teachers will average about 20. Our Sabbath School is furnished with a small Library. The Rev. Mr. Bury has attended services with us twice on week days, and has spent one Sabbath with us, and administered the Holy Communion. Also the Rev. Mr. Burion has held service one evening. And the Rev. Mr. Stamer has been with us 3 Sabbaths. Except those visits, we have been destitute of regular clergymen to aid us in our devotions. But we believe we have the good spirit of the Lord with us, and the parish is very much united and attentive to the services of the church as we have lay reading uniformly on the Sabbath, and I do believe the Lord

will bless us, and yet build up his church in this place, if we continue to "press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

L. L. ADAMS, *Clerk of St Paul's Parish, Exeter.*

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD, CLARKE CO.

REV. A. T. M'MURPHY, MISSIONARY.

Reports to the Bishop that he took charge of said Parish on the 10th of December last—found in good standing 29 communicants; added by removal into the parish 2, by profession 1—3; died 1, present number 31. Funeral 1. Our church edifice is now nearly completed, we have occupied the basement since May last, and expect the Church to be ready for consecration in November. For this great blessing we are indebted mainly to the kindness of our friends in Circleville, Chillicothe, Portsmouth, and Cincinnati, which places I visited last winter for the purpose of procuring aid towards the completion of the Church. I received from Circleville \$36 33, Chillicothe \$16 00, Portsmouth \$30 00, Cincinnati \$327 00—total \$409 33.

This parish had never until November last made any systematic effort in aid of Missions. About that time a system of Monthly Offerings at the monthly prayer meeting for Missions was instituted, which has resulted in contributions to Foreign and Domestic Missions as follows: to Foreign \$12 26, Domestic \$9, collection in addition \$2 74, \$11 74. There has also been paid to the support of the Episcopate \$20; Contingent fund \$4 24 and for other objects \$9 25. The Superintendent of Sunday School reports the number of Scholars 70; Teachers, including Superintendent, 14. Sunday School offerings since Nov. last \$15 21, which, with a donation from a lady of the church of \$5 00, has been paid to Diocesan Missions.

TRINITY CHURCH, JEFFERSON.

Thanks to the great Shepherd and Bishop of souls, the members of this weak Parish have been privileged with the services of His Church on Sundays and other holy days, during the past year, the Bishop having preached once, and Messrs. Varian and Sunderland, each three times; and the remaining exercises having been led by a lay-reader, chiefly by Mr. A. McLeod, a resident candidate for Holy Orders.

Baptism, 1 adult. Confirmed, 2. Communicants, 8. A humble Sunday School in prosperous condition, Scholars 4; Teachers 2. Contributions, &c.: to Kenyon College \$10 00 Episcopate, 1843 and '44, \$2. Contingent fund, 1841 '42 '43 '44, \$4 00. Donations and Parish expenses, about \$238 00, in part to furnish an "upper room" as a place of worship, (for a lease of two years) becoming necessary on being deprived of the use of the Court-house, through the interference of dissenting neighbors, themselves accommodated largely at the cost of the *charitable*. But there is occasion to rejoice in this day of small things.

A. C. HUBBARD, *Sen'r Warden.*

CHRIST CHURCH, HURON.

REV. S. MARKS, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants, 14. Burials, 15. Marriages, 6. Confirmed, 13. Communicants, 26. Sunday School Teachers, 10; Scholars, 45. Paid to Episcopate Fund, \$14. Domestic Missions, \$11. In accordance with the wish of the Bishop I visited Lower Sandusky, and preached three times. The new church there is decidedly one of the most beautiful in the Diocese. I have preached four times at Norwalk, and three times at Sandusky. Arrangements were made for services at Milan, but have fallen through for want of a place to meet. I have given it all the services I could, which have been some six or seven. In addition to what we have written, I desire to record that, as a dutiful son of the church,

we kept the house open during Passion Week, and the result was good—also, that I continue to “feed the lambs,” in the best possible way, viz.: with Catechism and Sermons. To conclude—This parish has most severely felt the effects of emigration. I know of nothing more disheartening to a conscientious Pastor, than the sight of a flock, after he has trained them in wisdom’s paths, running away and leaving him, as it were, *alone*.—The few that are left are entitled to my praise and commendation, for their firm and consistent adherence (in these days of rebuke) to the principles and practices of a church “every where spoken against,” yea, they begin to discriminate that the divisions of the christian world is the fulfilment of Apostolic prophecy, “for there must be also heresies,” i. e. sects, “among you, that they which are approved may be manifest among you.”

CHRIST CHURCH, LIVERPOOL.

REV JOSEPH MAYO, RECTOR.

In the past year I have Baptized 4 infant children; and 3 young persons were Confirmed at the last visitation. \$35 have been paid by the parish in answer to the appeal from Gambier for pecuniary assistance; also our assessment for the past year to the Episcopate fund, and extra charge, were, I believe, discharged in January last. Several families have left our neighborhood, who were communicants heretofore; and two persons have requested to have their names erased from our list. Our present number amounts to about thirty.

The state of my health since April last, has prevented me from performing more than one service on the Sabbath, and if the parish were able to support a minister I would gladly resign my cure.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STEUBENVILLE.

REV. INTREPID MORSE, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 7, adults 2,—9. Confirmations 14. Marriages 3. Funerals 5. Communicants, removed 3, added 16—115. Sunday school teachers 12, scholars 100.

Contributions to Diocesan Missions \$31, Domestic and Foreign Missions \$36, support of the Episcopate \$55, Contingent expenses of Convention \$12.—Total \$134. In addition to this a debt of about four hundred dollars has been liquidated by subscription: So that there is ground to hope that the parish is rather more prosperous in its temporal affairs, and it is hoped also in its spiritual interests, than it was at the period of last report. There is however, much room for improvement.

The rector has officiated in other places since last Convention but twelve times, and solemnized one marriage.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MT. VERNON.

REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 12, adult 1—total 13. Confirmed 8. Communicants, reported at last Convention 122, added 10, removed 5, dismissed 1, died 2, stricken from the list 1,—Present number 123. Marriages 3. Funerals 11. Sunday School Scholars 50, Teachers 8. The principal Contributions of the parish for benevolent and church objects during the past year: Contingent Fund of the Diocese \$16, Bishop's Salary \$75, Sunday School \$12, Female Prayer Book and Tract Society \$31, Foreign Missions \$10, Domestic Missions \$21 60, Diocesan Missions \$8 05.—Total \$173 65.

CHRIST CHURCH, WARREN.

This parish has been destitute of a pastor since the 25th of June, 1843. Since regular lay service has been sustained every second Sunday.

The condition and prospects of the parish have not materially changed since 1843. A good degree of interest has been manifested and we hope efficient means taken to secure the services of a clergyman in future, under whose fostering care we feel, with God's blessing, of a steady, healthful growth.

S. D. HARRIS, *Senior Minister*

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MEDINA.

The statistics are as follows:—Communicants, reported last year 102, added 10, removed 7, died 3, left for other churches 2: in all 110 now.

The contributions are, for the Contingent Fund \$7, Bishop's Salary \$22, Mission \$10, Sunday School offerings for books \$4 50. The Ladies by their industry have purchased a box of clothing, bedding, &c. for the Nashota Mission, valued at \$70. Also have purchased a new organ from the manufactory of Mr. Botsford, Wooster.

On behalf of the Vestry,

WM. H. CAWLEY

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HARTSGROVE.

The present state of the Church in Hartsgrove is not in truth what it ought to be. It has no labors of a minister. The present number of Communicants is 10. They have a Sabbath School in a good state.

ISAAC BILL, *D*

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEWTON FALLS.

The Senior Warden begs leave respectfully to report, that this parish has been destitute of divine services during the past year. This destitution has been owing partly to the absence from their homes of those most interested in the welfare of the Church, and partly to the influence of causes mentioned in his last report. He trusts, however, with God's blessing, these causes will be obviated during the ensuing fall; and believes, that after the sanctuary has been cleansed at the next General Conference, confidence will be restored, old hopes will be revived, and new zeal will be enkindled.

The statistics are—Confirmations 3. Baptisms 1. Burials 1.

HENRY A. DuBois, *Senior Minister*

CHRIST CHURCH, HUDSON.

REV. ALANSON PHELPS, RECTOR.

I took charge of this parish the first of last October, previous to which time there was only occasional preaching. Present number of Communicants 34: added by renou-
renewal of the parish 6, added by profession 6; lost by death 2, by removal and otherwise 1. Baptized, infants 3. Confirmations 20. Marriage 1. Funerals 10. Contributions for Diocesan Missions \$28 25, for the Episcopate \$10, for Contingent Expenses \$42 25.

The attendance upon the services of the Church has been good, and we are enabled to go forward in the course of duty, depending upon the Divine blessing. In all my regular services at Hudson, I have performed occasional services in Christ Church, Franklin, which has been destitute of ministerial supply.

TRINITY CHURCH, LYME.

REV. E. PUNDERSON, RECTOR.]

The following is my report of statistics for the last year:—Baptisms, children 10, adults 2—12. Confirmed 4. Marriages 3. Added to the Communion 1. Suspended 1. Funerals, children 3. Sunday Scholars 36, Teachers 4.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, COLUMBUS.

REV. H. L. RICHARDS, RECTOR.

Baptisms, adults 2, infants 12.—14. Burials 2. Communicants last year 36, added 6, (one from the Methodists,) removed 2, leaving 40. Sunday School Scholars 50, Teachers 10. Monthly Missionary Collections \$75 62. Communion Offerings \$38 14. Bishop's salary \$20. Contingent Expenses \$5. About \$1000 have been subscribed by the congregation towards finishing the upper room of the Church. The work has been commenced, and it is hoped will be completed by Christmas. Estimated cost of the whole \$2000. Several candidates for confirmation are awaiting the visit of the Bishop. The rector of St. Paul's has for several months past, been officiating once a month in a country congregation about four miles from Columbus. Considerable interest has been manifested in the services. Three children have been baptized, and there are several candidates for confirmation. No parish has yet been organized.

REV. J. SANDELS

Reports that his attention has been given during the past year, chiefly to his duties in connexion with the Institutions at Gambier. He has preached in his turn in the College Chapel, and occasionally in Delaware, Mt. Vernon, Mansfield and Perry. He has administered baptism to nine infants.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ZANESVILLE.

REV. W. A. SMALLWOOD, RECTOR.

Baptisms, adult 1, children 11,—12. Persons Confirmed 7. Marriages 8. Funerals 5. Communicants, lost by removal 12, added by removal 4, new communicants 6,—total 98. Sunday School Teachers 11, Scholars on the roll 76, average attendance 45. Contributions to African Colonization \$32 50, Missions \$38, Support of the Episcopate \$75, Convention Assessment \$15, in payment of Church debt, and for other extraordinary parochial purposes, about \$1,100.

The congregations on Sunday mornings are large, though at other times very much smaller than they should be. Many appear to hear the word with interest. Some are, certainly awake to the worth of their souls. The present is a time of greater promise than we have had for some years. The rector is more than usually encouraged. Two Sundays have been devoted to Missionary duty, one at Madison, Muskingum county, and the other at Lancaster.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PAINESVILLE, LAKE COUNTY.

REV. CHAS. B. STOUT, RECTOR.

The following is the report of St. James' Church, Painesville:—Families, about 50 including 12 to 15 residing in the adjoining townships. Congregation from 100 to 150. Individuals in town and country about 200. Baptisms during the year, adults 2, children 13,—total 15. Communicants, added during the same period 8, received 3, removed 6, present number 84. Confirmed 6. Burials, 5 in the parish and 3 others,—total 8. Mar-

riages 2. Children in the Sunday School 40, Teachers 9. Children catechised regular in the Sunday School, and the Communion administered monthly. Contributions for Ivesan Missions \$23 41. Juvenile Society for Domestic Missions \$15,—\$38 41. Juvenile Society for Bishop's Salary \$15, Communicants for do. \$15,—\$30. Parochial and charitable objects (Conventional assessment included) \$19 34 Ladies raised towards paint and repairing Church \$40. Total \$157 75.

In addition to the two regular Lord's day services, the rector holds a third service for miles distant, monthly, among a people, many of whom were baptized and brought up the good old paths of the English Church, in the Isle of Man. In this neighborhood hopes to see a parish organized at no distant day, and thus numbers would be brought within the influence of the Church and *kept there*, whom it is difficult reaching in any other way than by establishing the Church among them. This measure would be much promoted, is believed, if the services of a *Missionary* could be secured to labor especially among the Maux people. That something should be done for them is evident, and I very much wish (and it was also the wish of the Rev. Mr. Varian,) a chapel might be erected in some central point, which could be done at an expense of a few hundred dollars, where they could assemble stately for worship. In this way they would soon be joined by others who are favorably disposed towards our Church, and very soon an interesting parish would be raised up. The means to provide the building are not now to be had, nor the necessary support for a missionary, unless it comes from abroad.

On the whole, this parish is considered in a prosperous state, and now that the church debt is nearly liquidated, it is designed to introduce the system of *monthly offerings*, with the belief that those who have been aided by others, will be ready, as God prospers them to aid in extending the Gospel to the more destitute. The rector intends commencing a weekly Bible class during the present month. He is happy in saying, that for much of the good order and spiritual prosperity prevailing in the parish, credit is due to the untiring and faithful labors of his esteemed predecessor. He also desires to record his thanks to the 'New York Bible and Common Prayer Book Society' for the liberal grant of 1 Bibles, 25 Testaments, 50 Prayer Books and 5000 pages of Tracts, just received.

ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, MASSILLON.

REV. JOHN SWAN, RECTOR.

The rector of this parish has nothing of special interest to report respecting the spiritual state of his charge. There have been added to the communion during the last year 12 on profession and 6 from other parishes; 2 communicants have died, 12 have retired and 3 have been stricken off the list, leaving the present number 80. Baptisms 27 (infants and 2 adults) Marriages 5 Funerals 5 Candidates for Confirmation 18. School Pupils about 100, and Teachers 12. Contributions, to the Contingent Fund Bishop's Support \$60, Missions \$35, Sunday School expenses \$15,—\$112.

Through the generous liberality of a few individuals in the parish, provision was last fall for the liquidation of \$3,500 of our Church debt, and recently about \$8,000 has been expended in finishing and furnishing the interior of the Church. An effort is now being made to procure an organ, and it is hoped that before long our sanctuary will be supplied with this necessary accompaniment to the sacred chants of our service.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, PLYMOUTH.

REV. JAMES SUNDERLAND, RECTOR.

On the 18th of February last, I received a call from the Vestry to the rectorship of this parish, to serve every third Sunday, at which time my labors commenced. I have officiated in this parish, however, two Sundays in addition to every third Sunday, and administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper every third Sabbath. 'This,'

beneficial to the spiritual interests of the people under my charge. At the time I commenced my labors in this place, I could find but twenty-four communicants, and the people were much discouraged. Since then, the Great Head of the Church has been pleased to smile upon us, and the changes have been as follows:—

We have reorganized a Sunday School; and now have 4 Teachers and about 20 Scholars, with a prospect of increase. Baptisms, adult 1, and infants 7,—8. Confirmations 8. Communicants, removed 2, restored 1, received 14, added by letter 3,—present number 40. We have a new Church edifice, consecrated on the 18th of May last.

Though small, yet I am happy to say, that this parish is in a much more flourishing state than when I first visited it, and I find an increasing disposition prevailing in the neighborhood, both to hear, and to support the Gospel. And besides, we are, as far as I know, in perfect harmony throughout the parish. Our Sabbath services also are well attended, and the congregation has increased about one-third. The communicants, too, have increased more than one third. For these things we thank God and take courage. Paid on Assessment 75 cents, towards Episcopate \$7,—Total \$7 75.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH, UNIONVILLE.

REV. JAMES SUNDERLAND, RECTOR.

When I accepted a call to the rectorship of this parish, on the 3d of last March, I could find but nineteen communicants, and the parish was apparently almost extinct. Since then, according to agreement, I have labored, (though hard,) but half the time; and, through God's grace, the result of my labors have been as follows:—

A Sunday School has been organized, which includes 4 Teachers, and about 18 Scholars. Baptisms, adults 2, and infants 5,—7. Confirmations 10. Communicants, removed 1, received 10, present number 23.

The congregation, since I have been here, has increased almost three-fold; and there has been more than one-third added to the communion. Paid on Assessment \$2, Bishop's Salary \$2.—\$4.

The parish of Jefferson also, I have visited at different times, and delivered six sermons. On one occasion I administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, and added one to the communion. And, on a subsequent occasion, I baptized one adult person.

REV. C. C. TOWNSEND,

Bowling Green, Ky. Aug. 20, 1844.

Rt. Rev. & Dear Sir:—As it will not be my privilege to attend the present Convention, I would respectfully report, that from last Convention to August 1st, I labored as a missionary in the south section of the Diocese, located at Athens, and preaching 50 times in that and the following places:—Deavertown, Roseville, McConnelsville, Chauncey, Alexander, Millfield, Pomeroy, Cincinnati, and Madison, Ia. A regular weekly lecture was preached at Athens. The Holy Communion was administered once. Baptisms, Infants 2, Families 2. Communicants 2.

A Sunday School, consisting of about 40 Scholars in regular attendance, was kept up, and a small library purchased. The services were sustained by a small subscription, and a female school, during the time above specified; and when it was ascertained that no appropriation could be made by the Diocesan Committee, the missionary, with some regret, retired from the field, and would beg leave further to report, that without such aid, any further effort in that interesting and important part of the Diocese, would be useless: with it, by God's promised blessing, much good might there be done, through the Episcopal Church, in the name of the Lord Jesus. In connexion with this report, I would express my gratitude to God for the kindness which he has vouchsafed through the people among whom I spent this brief season of pleasant labor.

C. C. TOWNSEND.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MARIETTA.**REV. EDWARD WINTHROP, RECTOR.**

Reports to the Bishop, that when he took charge of this parish on the 23d of November, 1843, he found upon the parish register the names of 40 Communicants in regular standing. There have since been added, by return to the communion 1, restoration after suspension 1, by removal to the parish 2, new communicants 8, present number 52. Number of persons Confirmed by the Bishop, on the 26th of March, 1844, 11. Baptisms, adults 2, infants 2—total 4. Marriages 2. Funeral 1. Sunday Scholars 25 to 30, Teachers 5. The Contributions of the parish have been as follows:—For the Salary of the Bishop and Contingent Expenses of the Diocese \$25 50: of which \$25, the amount at which this parish was assessed, was duly remitted to the Treasurer. Communion Alms \$41 84. Monthly Offerings \$23 48. By the Ladies for the Greek Mission \$9, The Ladies have also raised about \$240 to complete the sum requisite for the purchase of an organ.—Total \$343 32. In addition to this, there have been some contributions in the Sunday School.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.**REV. A. WHEELER, RECTOR AND MISSIONARY.**

Removed 2, Added 5, present number 36. Baptisms, children 10. I commenced my labors on the last Sunday of March, 1844. Prior to that time, having preaching only one Sunday in four, and no pastor residing among them, their spiritual condition appeared to be on the decline. The spirit of the true Church appears now to be reviving among that people. I have there a Sabbath School of about 60, who appear well. One exercise is, attending to the responses, in which about 40, take an active part. The Vestrymen are about to see if they can raise sufficient strength to rebuild their Church, with a basement story, which we very much need. Church going and the Sabbath are better regarded than formerly; and on the whole, the congregation is advancing Zion-ward.

While I reside at Springfield, and most of my labors are there, I preach regularly and visit, every other Sunday and week, in the north-east part of Carroll county. There I have some ten or twelve families formerly brought up to the Church, who are greatly revived and encouraged to enjoy Church privileges once more. I have administered the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to them, to their great comfort, and Baptized 10 children of late. These families live among some hundreds of people who are like sheep scattered, without a shepherd. Many self-ordained preachers are coming and going among them.—My congregation among them consists, steadily, of the families above mentioned, and some times of the house overflowing, of comers and goers, to hear some new thing. I have there a Sabbath School of from 15 to 50 at different times.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

To the Twenty-Seventh Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

The undersigned, Treasurer to said Convention, submits the following Report:—

EPISCOPATE FUND.

The whole amount charged on the List of Assessments of the several Churches in the Diocese, for the Episcopate Fund, including arrearages at the last Convention, is \$3109 89

To which add extra contributions to the same object, viz: St. John's, Lancaster,

\$30, St. Paul's, Columbus, \$17, 47 00

\$3156 89

Of which, there has been paid into the Treasury during the

current year \$ 1845 83

Amount of present arrears, 1311 06

\$ 3156 89

CONTINGENT FUND.

The whole amount charged on the List of Assessments for the Contingent Fund, including arrearages at the last Convention, is \$ 691 65

Of which I have received, during the current year \$ 335 00

Amount of present arrears, 356 65

\$ 691 65

The Table marked A, accompanying this Report, shows the names of the several Churches, the amount of arrearages at the last Convention, the assessment of 1843 against each parish, the total of such arrearages and assessment, the amount paid during the current year, and the amount of present arrears. Each fund being separately stated,

The following Statement exhibits the present Condition of the Bishop's Account with the Treasury:

Amount of Diocesan's Salary for the year ending 9th Sept. 1844, \$2000 00
Due him on former salaries, at last Convention, 742 12

\$2742 12

Contra Cr.

By amount remitted by Bishop on Salary of current year, \$ 500 00

Sundry payments to, and receipts by the Bishop, during the past year, 1073 50

Now in the Treasury subject to the Bishop's draught, 772 33

Bal. due the Bishop, to be carried to his credit in new acct. 396 29

\$2742 12

The following Statement exhibits the present condition of the Treasurer's Account with the Contingent Fund:

Whole amount paid into the Treasury, from different Parishes, during the current year,

\$ 335 00

Amount on hand at las, Convention,

76 43

\$ 411 43

1843,

Contra Cr.

Sept. 9.	By Cash paid to Rev. J. T. Brooke, on balance of acct.	
	expenses on trial Dr. Colton,	\$ 3 23
Do	Rev. E. Burr, for do,	7 00
Do	Bishop McIlvaine, balance expenses to Gen. Convention,	18 00
Do	Rev. Mr. Wing, on diocesan postage,	15 41
Do	do on acct. for printing Journal of Convention of 1842,	29 59
Do	Rev. Mr. Muenscher, on expenses Dr. Colton's trial,	2 25
	Counterfeit note on hand at last report,	1 00
1844.	Sundry postages, current year	80
March 25.	Amt. of Bishop's order to Mr. Wing on diocesan postages,	10 00
June 8.	Do do	5 91
	Mr. Wing on acct. of printing Journal 1842,	3 69
Aug. 3.	Bishop's traveling expenses, deficit	6 00
22.	Geo. W. Myers' bill, acct. growing out of publication of proceedings of last Convention	14 54
31.	M. T. C. Wing on acct.	10 40
Sept. 2.	Amt. paid Mr. Muenscher on acct.	11 72
5.	Amt. paid Rev. Richard Bury, due him on last year's liabilities,	10 00
7.	Cash on hand,	261 89
		<u>\$ 411 43</u>

All which is respectfully submitted,

HENRY B. CURTIS,

Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio.

Masillon, Sept. 7, 1844.

Exhibit A. accompanying Treasurer's Report—Showing the names of the parishes, arrears at last Convention, assessment of 1843, amount paid during the current year, and the present arrears—for each fund separately.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

	Arrearages last Conven- tion.	Assessm't. of 1843,	Total.	Amount Paid.	Present Ar- rears.
Christ Church, Cincinnati,	\$101 00	\$200 00	\$301 00	\$301 00	\$
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	288 00	125 00	413 00	125 00	288 00
Trinity, Cleveland,		100 00	100 00	100 00	
Trinity, Columbus,	48 00	90 00	138 00	68 00	70 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,		85 00	85 00	70 00	15 00
St. James', Zanesville,	50 00	85 00	135 00	75 00	60 00
St. Paul's, Columbus,		20 00	20 00	37 00	
St. Timothy's, Massillon,		60 00	60 00	60 00	
St. Luke's, Marietta,		20 00	20 00	20 00	
St. Luke's, Granville,	5 00	40 00	45 00	30 00	15 00
Grace Church, Berkshire,	22 00	20 00	42 00	12 00	30 00
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	29 00	75 00	104 00	104 00	
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,		15 00	15 00		15 00
Christ Church, Springfield,		20 00	20 00	20 00	
St. James', Painesville,		30 00	30 00	30 00	
St. James', Boardman.	45 00	15 00	60 00	40 00	20 00
St. Paul's, Steubenville,	47 00	50 00	97 00	55 00	†42 00
St. Paul's, Medina,		30 00	30 00	21 00	9 00
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,		30 00	3 00	30 00	
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	68 25	60 00	128 25	128 25	
St. Philip's, Strongsville,	25 00	10 00	35 00		35 00
Grace Church, Sandusky City,		25 00	25 00	25 00	
St. James', Piqua.	14 00	50 00	64 00	18 94	45 06
St. Matthew's, Madison,		10 00	10 00		10 00
St. John's, Worthington,	9 00	20 00	29 00		29 00
St. Peter's, Delaware,	63 00	40 00	103 00		103 00
St. John's, Ohio City,	55 00	40 00	95 00	41 00	54 00
Trinity, Newark,	11 25	55 00	66 25	44 00	22 25
St. Philip's, Circleville,		75 00	75 00	12 75	62 25
Trinity, Troy,	20 00	10 00	30 00		30 00
St. Paul's, Norwalk,	22 00	35 00	57 00	50 00	*7 00
Christ Church, Dayton,		40 00	40 00	40 00	
Granville Female Seminary,		10 00	10 00	10 00	
Trinity, Lyme,	6 50	10 00	16 50	10 00	6 50
Christ Church, Liverpool,	10 00	5 00	15 00	10 00	5 00
St. Andrew's, Elyria,	30 00	10 00	40 00	15 00	25 00
Trinity, Jefferson,		5 00	5 00	5 00	
Trinity, Cincinnati,		5 00	5 00		5 00
St. Paul's, Greenville,		5 00	5 00		5 00
St. Paul's, Maumee,	6 00	25 00	31 00	10 00	21 00
Bethel, Boston,	12 00	5 00	17 00	5 00	12 00
St. John's, Dover,	5 00	5 00	10 00		10 00
St. Luke's, Columbia,		5 00	5 00	2 00	3 00

EPISCOPATE FUND—Continued.

	Arrearages at last Con- vention.	Assessment, of 1843	Total.	Amount Paid,	Present Ar- rears.
Christ Church, Huron,	\$ 15 00	\$ 15 00	\$ 30 00	\$ 21 00	\$ 9 00
Christ Church, Franklin,	10 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	10 00
Christ Church, Warren,	10 00	5 00	15 00	15 00	
Grace, Cincinnati,	40 00	15 00	55 00		55 00
St. James', Wooster,	15 00	15 00	30 00	15 00	15 00
St. John's, Springfield,	10 00	5 00	15 00	5 00	10 00
St. Mark's, Newton Falls,	14 00	10 00	24 00	24 00	
St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,	20 00	10 00	30 00	10 00	20 00
St. Peter's, Ashtabula,	35 00	50 00	85 00	20 00	65 00
All Saints', Portsmouth,		50 00	50 00	25 00	*25 00
St. James' CrossCreek,	8 00	20 00	28 00	20 00	8 00
St. Stephen's, Grafton,	20 00	5 00	25 00	5 00	20 00
St. Paul's, Akron,	10 00	15 00	25 00	15 00	10 00
Christ Church, Hudson,				10 00	
St. Michael's, Unionville,				2 00	
St. Matthew's, Plymouth,				7 00	
St. Peter's, Rome,				1 89	
Zion Church, Dresden,				30 00	
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				\$ 1845 83	\$ 1311 06

CONTINGENT FUND.

	Arrearages at last Con- vention.	Assessment of 1843.	Total.	Amount Paid.	Present Ar- rears
Christ Church, Cincinnati	\$	\$ 50 00	50 00	50 00	
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	25 00	25 00	50 00		50 00
Trinity Church, Cleveland,		23 00	23 00	23 00	
Trinity, Columbus,	36 00	20 00	56 00		56 00
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,		15 00	15 00	15 00	
St. James', Zanesville,		15 00	15 00	15 00	
St. Paul's, Columbus,		5 00	5 00	5 00	
St. Timothy's, Massillon,		12 00	12 00	12 00	
St. Luke's, Marietta,		5 00	5 00	5 00	
St. Luke's, Granville,		8 00	8 00	8 00	
Grace Church, Berkshire,	3 00	3 00	6 00	3 00	3 00
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,		16 00	16 00	16 00	
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	1 00	2 00	3 00	2 00	1 00
Christ Church, Springfield,		4 00	4 00	4 00	
St. James', Painesville,		7 00	7 00	7 00	
St. James', Boardman,,	11 50	5 00	16 50	5 00	11 50
St. Paul's, Steubenville,		12 00	12 00	12 00	
St. Paul's, Medina,		7 00	7 00	7 00	
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,		7 00	7 00		*7 00
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	17 00	6 00	23 00	23 00	
St. Philip's, Strongsville,	3 00	1 00	4 00		4 00
Grace Church, Sandusky City,		5 00	5 00	5 00	
St. James', Piqua,		12 00	12 00	12 00	
St. Matthew's, Madison,	2 00	2 00	4 00		4 00
St. John's, Worthington.	2 00	5 00	7 00		7 00

CONTINGENT FUND—Continued.

	Arrearages at last Con- vention.	Assessment of 1843.	Total.	Amount Paid.	Present Ar- rears.
r's, Delaware,	9 00	10 00	19 00		19 00
's, Ohio City,	20 00	9 00	29 00	10 00	19 00
Church, Newark,		12 00	12 00	8 00	4 00
p's, Circleville,	6 50	10 00	16 50		16 50
Troy,	14 00	3 08	17 00		17 00
's, Norwalk,	14 00	7 00	21 00		*21 00
hurch, Dayton,	25 00	10 00	35 00	12 00	23 00
e Female Seminary, Lyme,		1 00	1 00		1 00
hurch, Liverpool,	1 00	2 00	3 00		3 00
rew's, Elyria,	4 00	4 00	8 00	3 00	5 00
Jefferson,	3 00	1 00	4 00	4 00	
Cincinnati,		5 00	5 00		5 00
's, Greenville,	3 00		3 00		2 00
's, Maumee City,	3 00	2 00	5 00		5 00
Boston,	2 00	1 00	3 00	2 00	1 00
's, Dover,	3 00	1 00	4 00		4 00
's, Columbia,	2 00	1 00	3 00	1 00	2 00
hurch, Huron,		2 00	2 00		2 00
hurch, Franklin,	5 00	1 00	6 00	1 00	5 00
hurch, Warren,	2 00	1 00	3 00	3 00	
hurch, Cincinnati,		5 00	5 00		5 00
se', Wooster,	6 00	5 00	11 00	5 00	6 00
's, Springfield, Jeff. Co.,	3 00	2 00	5 00	2 00	3 00
's, Newton Falls,	2 00	2 00	4 00	4 00	
's, Lower Sandusky,		3 00	3 00		3 00
's, Ashtabula,	6 00	10 00	16 00	8 00	8 00
's, Portsmouth,		10 00	10 00		*10 00
se', Cross Creek,	13 00	6 00	19 00	19 00	.
men's, Grafton,	4 65	3 00	7 65	5 25	2 40
s, Akron,		4 00	4 00	4 00	
hurch, Hudson,		4 00	4 00	4 00	
ael's, Unionville,	2 00	2 00	4 00	4 00	
hew's, Plymouth,	1 00	2 00	3 00	75	2 25
's, Rome,	3 00		3 00	1 00	2 00
nas', St. Clairsville,	5 00	1 00	6 00	1 00	5 00
Toledo,	3 00	3 00	6 00	6 00	
's, Lancaster,	2 00	2 00	4 00		4 00
urch, Dresden,	3 00	1 00	4 00		4 00
ADDENDA:				\$ 335 00	\$ 356 65
's, Wakeman,	3 00	1 00	4 00		4 00
men's, East Liverpool,	2 00	1 00	2 00		3 00
hurch, Windsor,	1 00				1 00
se', Batavia,	1 00				1 00
's, Utica,	2 45				2 45
's, Sydney,	2 00				2 00
urch, Carlton,	1 00				1 00
's, Euclid, (new Church)					
hurch, Penfield, do.					

HENRY B. CURTIS, Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio.

* Paid after report made.

† \$5 paid after report made.

NOTE.—The following Parishes made payment during the sitting of the Convention on Assessments of ensuing year, viz :

Trinity Church, Cleveland, on Episcopate Fund,	\$ 50 00
St. Paul's, Euclid,	do 5 00—Continget Fund \$ 1 00
Christ Church, Hudson,	do 1 00
Christ Church, Penfield,	do 1 00

H. B. C. Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE TREAS'R. OF THE MISS. & EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer, in Acct. with the Education Fund of the Diocese of Ohio.

1843.	DR.	
September	To balance on hand,	\$ 1 85½
	To amount of collection at Convention, ½	33 44
	“ from Central Convocation collection in St. Peter's, Delaware,	8 25
	“ from St. James', Painesville, Christmas collection,	8 00
	“ from Central Convocation, collected at Newark,	6 75
	“ from Harcourt Parish, Oambier,	56 21
	“ from Ladies' Missionary Society, Trinity Church, Columbus,	30 00
	“ from St. Luke's, Granville,	2 00
	“ from Dr. Stamp, Mt. Vernon, scholarship scrip,	120 00
	“ from St. Paul's, Steubenville,	20 21
	“ from St. Philip's, Circleville, ½	25 00
	“ from St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	5 00
	“ from St. Stephen's, Grafton,	1 50
	“ from Treasurer of Theological Seminary on Clark Scholarship.	30 00
	“ from All Saint's, Portsmouth;	21 60
	“ from Sunday School, St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	12 50
	“ from Rev. C. C. Townsend, refunded,	23 50
	“ from Grace Church, Sandusky City,	30 00
	“ from Mrs. Dr. Kirtland, Ohio City,	3 00
		\$ 438 21½
	To bal. Scholarship Scrip,	\$ 120 00
	“ Cash,	1 40
		\$ 121 40

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By paid to sundry Beneficiaries	\$ 316 81½
Balance including Scholarship Scrip on hand,	121 40
	\$ 438 21½

Sept. 1844. M. T. C. WING, Treasure r.

T. C. Wing, Treasurer, in Acct. with the Missionary Fund of the Diocese of Ohio.

1843.	DR.	
September.	To balance on hand,	\$ 5 43
	Amount received from St. Philip's, Circleville,	8 62½
	" Collected at Convention, ½	33 43½
	" from Cross Creek, paid Rev. Mr. Gray,	20 72½
	" Deersville, paid do	4 07½
	" Springfield, paid do	4 67½
	" Hagerstown, paid do	1 60
October.	" St. Andrew's Elyria, (N. W. Convocation)	10 03
	" St. James, Wooster, do	7 20
1844.	" St. Paul's, Steubenville,	10 79
January.	" St. John's, Ohio City, paid Mr. P.	4 00
	" St. Stephen's, Grafton, paid do	3 50
	" Bethel, Boston, paid do	3 36
	" St. Paul's, Norwalk, paid do	10 00
	" St. Paul's, Columbus, paid Rev. Mr. Rich-	
	ards,	55 81
	" St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	23 79
February.	" Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	37 50
	" St. Luke's, Granville,	9 00
	" St. Paul's, Norwalk,	10 00
	" H. T. Woodward, Brunswick, from "Mis-	
	sionary Box,	4 50
	" St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	7 00
	" Christ Church, Hudson,	16 00
	" a Lady of Christ Church, Springfield,	5 00
	" Sunday School of do do,	6 50
	" St. Timothy's, Massillon,	15 00
	" Trinity Church, Cleveland,	26 00
	" Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	22 31
March	" St. James', Zanesville,	8 50
	" St. Philip's, Circleville, ½	25 00
April	" Central Convocation, collected at Granville,	8 77
	" Mrs. C. Barrett, Monroeville,	1 00
	" Mrs. R. Chase, do,	1 00
	" St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	8 06
	" St. Paul's, Medina,	6 00
	" St. Stephen's, Grafton,	8 75
	" N. W. Convocation, St. John's, Ohio City,	8 14
	" Mrs. Wadsworth, Canfield,	5 00
	" St. James' Wooster	2 00
	" Miss Crawford, Wooster,	1 00
	" St. John's, Worthington,	3 60
	" St. Paul's, Columbus, paid rector,	41 62
	" St. Peter's, Delaware,	17 00
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		\$ 513 17½
	To balance to new account,	1 93½

1843.	CR.		
September.	By paid Rev. Mr. Gray,	-	\$ 101 97½
	“ Rev. Mr. Freeman,	-	45 00
	“ “ Mr. Henshaw,	-	110 00
	“ “ Mr. Phelps,	-	46 08
	“ “ Mr. Barnes	-	35 00
	“ “ Mr. Richards,	-	97 43
	“ “ Mr. Holden	-	40 26½
	“ “ Mr. Townsend,	-	32 50
	“ “ Mr. Fairchild,	-	3 00
	Balance in Treasury,	-	1 92½
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			\$ 513 25½

September, 1844. M. T. C. WING, Treasurer.

I have duly examined the above report of the Treasurer, and find the same to be correct. A. BLAKE.

RULES OF ORDER.

- 1. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
- 11. When the President takes the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.
- III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention, the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.
- IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
- V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the Chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present,—if, not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the Parishes entitled to representation: and the Lay-delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.
- VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1. A Committee of Examination, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of Membership, and Certificates of Lay-delegates, and Incorporation of Churches, and their Admission into Union with the Convention. 2. A Committee on Unfinished Business, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examination has reported the names of the Lay-delegates entitled to seats in Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:—1. A Committee of Finance, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's Report, and Assessment of the Parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2. A

Committee on Missions, to consist of two clergymen and one layman; to whom is referred the Report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the House, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3. *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to whom new canons and amendments of existing canons shall be referred.

When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

I. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue at their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, unless excused, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and unless required, reduced to writing.

I. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

7. All Committees shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered.

When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

I. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

II, The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

MEMORIAL FOR THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the lives and souls of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name, and style and title of the Parish of _____, in the Township of _____, County of _____, State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded together with the Minutes of the meeting, in a book, to be thereafter kept as Parish Register: a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the Parish to the Bishop, which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of Association, the name of the Parish with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken, as soon as possible, to have the Parish Incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the Parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the diocese, to be admitted into union therewith, for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop, should be sent to the Convention, certified by the Clerk of the Parish.

ASSESSMENT FOR 1845, AND ARREARAGES ON EPISCOPATE AND CONTINGENT FUNDS.

The following Table compiled from the Treasurer's Report, and Report of the Committee of Finance, shows the Arrears, Assessment and Total, against each Parish, on these respective Funds.

EPISCOPATE FUND.				CONTINGENT FUND.		
<i>Names of Parishes.</i>	<i>Arrears.</i>	<i>Ass't.</i>	<i>Total,</i>	<i>Arrears.</i>	<i>Ass't.</i>	<i>Total</i>
Christ Church, Cincinnati,	\$	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$	\$ 50	\$ 50
St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	288	135	413	50	25	75
Trinity, Cleveland,		100	100		23	23
Trinity, Columbus,	70	90	160	56	20	76
St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	15	85	100		15	15
St. James', Zanesville,	60	85	145		15	15
St. Paul's, Columbus,		20	20		5	5
St. Timothy's, Massillon,		40	40		12	12
St. Luke's, Marietta.		20	20		5	5
St. Luke's, Granville,	15	40	55		8	8
Grace, Berkshire,	30	20	50	3	3	6
St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon.		75	75		16	16
St. Mark's, Mill Creek,	15	10	25	1	2	3
Christ Church, Springfield,		20	20		4	4
St. James', Painesville,		30	30		7	7
St. James', Boardman,	20	15	35	11 50	5	16 50
St. Paul's, Steubenville,	42	50	92		12	12
St. Paul's, Medina.	9	30	39		7	7
St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,		30	30		7	7
Harcourt Parish, Gambier,		60	60		6	6
St. Philip's, Strongsville,	35	10	45	4	1	5
Grace Church, Sandusky City,		30	30		5	5
St. James', Piqua	45 06	50	95 06		12	12
St. Matthew's, Madison.	10	10	20	4	2	6
St. John's, Worthington,	29	20	49	7	5	12

EPISCOPATE FUND.

CONTINGENT FUND.

Parishes.	Arrears.	Ass'mt.	Total,	Arrears.	Ass'mt.	Total
's, Delaware,	\$ 103	\$ 40	\$ 143	\$ 19	\$ 10	\$ 29
s, Ohio City,	54	20	74	19	9	28
Newark,	22 25	55	77 25	4	12	16
's, Circleville,	62 25	75	137 25	16 50	10	26 50
Troy,	30	10	40 00	17	3	20
s, Norwalk,		35	35		7	7
urch, Dayton,		50	50	23	10	33
Lyme,	6 50	10	16 50	1	1	2
urch, Liverpool,	5	5	10	3	2	5
sw's, Elyria,	25	10	35	5	4	9
Jefferson,		5	5		1	1
incinnati,	5	5	10	5	5	10
s, Greenville,	5	5	10	3	3	6
s, Maumee,	21	25	46	5	2	7
oston,	12	5	17	1	1	2
s, Dover,	10	5	15	4	1	5
's, Columbia,	3	5	8	2	1	3
urch, Huron,	9	15	24		2	2
urch, Franklin,	10	5	15	5	1	6
urch, Warren,		5	5		1	1
incinnati,	55	15	70	5	5	10
's, Wooster,	15	15	30	6	5	11 00
s, Springfield,	10	5	15	3	2	5
s, Newton Falls,		10	10		2	2
s, Lower Sandusky,	20	10	30		3	3
's, Ashtabula,	65	45	110	8	10	18
's, Portsmouth,		50	50		10	10 00
's, Cross Creek,	8	20	28		6	6
on's, Grafton,	20	5	25	2 40	3	5 40
urch, Hudson,		10	10		4	4
al's, Unionville,		2	2		2	2
s, Akron,	10	20	30		4	4
sw's, Plymouth,		7	7	2 25	2	4 25
s, Rome,		2	2	2	1	3
on's, St. Clairsville,		5	5	5	1	6
Toledo,		15	15		1	1
s, Lancaster,		15	15	4	2	6
urch, Dresden,		5	5	4	1	5
s, Wakeman,		5	5	4	1	5
on's, East Liverpool,		2	2	3	1	4
urch, Windsor,		2	2	1	1	2
's, Batavia,		2	2	1	1	2
s, Utica,		2	2	2 45	1	3 45
's, Sydney,		2	2	2	1	3
urch, Carlton,		2	2	1	1	2
s, Euclid,		5	5		2	2
urch, Penfield,		2	2		1	1

**CONSTITUTION
OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE
DIOCESE OF OHIO.**

ARTICLE I.

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

ARTICLE II.

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second day after the first Wednesday, in September, of every year, unless otherwise provided by a preceding Convention, and at such place as shall, in like manner, be provided. But if the place should not be appointed by the preceding Convention, it shall be determined by the Bishop of the Diocese; or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee. The Bishop, with such clergy and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, shall constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day; in the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall

ARTICLE III.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, every Minister of this Diocese, canonically in charge of a congregation, or with this Convention—or employed as a Missionary under the ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated academy or school of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the performance of the ministry shall be members of this Convention, provided that they show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with the Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates; not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. The representative of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process, shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may deem it important to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so if applied to for that purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen who shall remain in office until the next annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of, the Convention; to attest its public acts—preserve its records—notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative, and belonging to, the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve till others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each annual Convention and shall consist of three clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the 4th Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings, a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of this Committee to keep a faithful record of all proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the Committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office may have been committed to him. The minutes of the Committee and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the Committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE IX.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an annual Convention; or in a special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed; the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows:—The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made, shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE X.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention, shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except where by orders is called for by five members. In such a case, the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two orders respectively shall decide.

ARTICLE XI.

The mode of Altering this Constitution shall be as follows:—A proposed amendment shall be laid before the Convention, in writing, and if approved by two-thirds of the whole Convention, it shall lie over till the next annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the whole Convention, the change shall take place; and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

C A N O N S
OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE
DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CANON I.**OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.**

Sec. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be charged with being guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII of the General Convention, he is liable to be tried; application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee; and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, according to the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances. Every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee

lected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese) as they shall think necessary.

Sec. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who, by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation, as they may be able to obtain.

Sec. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

Sec. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

Sec. 6. In case a Clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they should see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months, the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the facts alledged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

Sec. 7. At their first meeting, the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they may determine, and before proceeding to trial, they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

Sec. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer, authorized by law to administer oaths, may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

Sec. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness; and the party applying as above, shall give to the other party at least *five days* notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served, reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sun-

day, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such Commissioner, may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

Sec. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board, as to what sentence should be pronounced—whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused, in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

Sec. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision made by the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

C A N O N I I .

O F T H E V E S T R Y O F A C H U R C H .

Sec. 1. In every Church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens,—one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish—who, in the absence of the rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings—attest the public acts of the Vestry—preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish—perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

Sec. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the article of Parochial Association; and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the Church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

Sec. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pew holder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

Sec. 4. If any Vestryman shall be guilty of scandalous or immoral conduct, or shall be notoriously immoral in his general character, it shall be the duty of the Minister, or in case there shall be no Minister, of the Senior Warden, to present him to the Vestry, who shall have power, on being satisfied of his guilt, to expel him, provided always that at least two-thirds concur in such expulsion, and that the person expelled shall have a right to appeal to the Bishop.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of Divine worship, and in general to act as helpers to the Minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the Gospel; it being understood always that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the Minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the Alms at the administration of the same; to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a Minister—and while the Church is destitute of a Minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading as circumstances may permit.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a church or congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention, their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such church or congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate—from a majority of the Standing Committee, that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DEPUTIES.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the Communicants of the

church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows, viz:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of
Church held on the day of A. B.,
who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-
Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal
Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the day of
in the year of our Lord Signed

Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their Articles of Incorporation, or Association.

CANON V.

A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE DIOCESE.

Sec. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a List of the Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or Stations as missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in Parishes or Missions, or institutions of learning as above—their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons—but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal, and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Sec. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VI.

ON PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Sec. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him: or in his parish by any other Episcopal minister: specifying the names, and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the Minister, in a book, kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the parish.

Sec. 2. In addition to the Register above named, the Minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the Communicants and of Families within his cure—specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

Sec. 3. Every Minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop—or if there be no Bishop—to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, marriages, funerals, and persons confirmed within his cure since the last Convention, and also of the number of communicants, specifying the removals and deaths, also the additions to the communion, and whether the last have been by removal from the communion of other churches or otherwise, since the last Convention—and also of the number of pupils and teachers connected w'th Sunday-school instruction in the parish—and of the number of persons connected with Bible-class instruction, and of any Missionary or other benevolent societies, and of all contributions for benevolent objects, by subscription or public collections, together with a concise statement of whatever other matters of fact may be important in showing the state of the parish.

CANON VII.

OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.

Whenever a Parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON VIII.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the 7th Article of the Constitution, four clergymen out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four Laymen who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention—which Deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the Deputies-elect, to signify to the Bishop on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not, to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay-deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese, and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies-elect above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON IX.

ON LAY READERS.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay-reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop: or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay-readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention.

CANON X.**OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.**

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in the 51st Canon of the General Convention, a Committee of the Convention of this Diocese, shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XI.**OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.**

Sec. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the 6th Article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the Minister, or in case there be no Minister, to the Wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the Form of a Parochial Report—and a Form by which to certify the Appointment of Lay-deputies, together with the Assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese—as well as of any Charge or Pastoral Letter recently published—and to the General Convention, a Certificate of the Appointment of Clerical and Lay-deputies.

CANON XII.**OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.**

Sec. 1. At every stated Convention, there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all monies collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

Sec. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIII.**OF MISSIONS, AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.**

Sec. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the Missionary work; and the education of young men for the Ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the gospel in the same work—it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church, that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister in this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every

member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction.—I Cor. xvi. 1.

Sec. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a Committee consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to which shall be committed the appointment and regulation of Beneficiaries, the appointment of Missionaries, and Missionary Stations; and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

Sec. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the Missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

Sec. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee, when he is present—if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

Sec. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

Sec. 7. No Beneficiary or Missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the same, which consent shall be entered on the Minutes.

Sec. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated—which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

Sec. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention, may be supplied by the Committee. No monies shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President

CANON XIV.

FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

Sec. 1. Every Minister shall, on or about the fifteenth of April of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant, whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. On or about the fifteenth day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every house-holder or pew-holder, who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 3. Out of the sums so received, the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum. The sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XV.**OF LAY DISCIPLINE.**

Sec. 1. Any communicant, who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the Rector, may be suspended from the communion.

Sec. 2. A Communicant changing his residence, and thus dissolving his connection with any parish, shall be required to present a certificate of good standing, from the Minister of such parish, or if it have no minister, from one of its Wardens, before being enrolled as a communicant of any parish in this Diocese.

CANON XVI.**OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.**

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention, shall be applied to the following objects: 1. To defray the travelling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention and such other documents as may be ordered by Convention. 5. To defray the travelling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding \$50 to each delegate. 6. To pay the travelling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVII.**OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO.**

No proposition to alter, or add to, the Canons of the Diocese, shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a Committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XVIII.**REPEALING OF FORMER CANONS.**

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

**ACT OF INCORPORATION
OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BISHOP'S FUND OF THE PROT.
EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.**

"An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Matthews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal, which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested, do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage: provided that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

"Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed; and this corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modeled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful; provided that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be, making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

"January 24th, 1821."

**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS
OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN
OF THE PROT. EPIS. CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.**

It the annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, holden at Massillon, on the 5th, 6th, and 7th days of September last, the following resolution, offered by the Rev. Mr. Muensch, was unanimously adopted by that body:

"Resolved, That a Committee of three, of which the Bishop of the Diocese shall be one, be appointed to re-organize the Society for the Relief of the Widows and

Orphans of Deceased Clergymen of this Diocese, draw up the necessary By-Laws, appoint a Treasurer, receive the subscriptions of members, and do all such other matters in relation thereto as may be necessary, in the premises, and report to the next Convention."

In accordance with the tenor of the above resolution, the Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Muenschner and Wing the Committee to carry into effect its provisions.

The Committee have had a meeting in relation to the matter entrusted to them, and have drawn up the following fundamental Laws and Rules for the government of the Corporation, subject to such amendments and alterations as the next Convention may see fit to make. The Committee have appointed the Rev. Mr. Wing the Treasurer pro. tem., who will receive all monies which may be sent to him, and make such an investment of them as shall enable members to realize the contemplated benefit at once. In order to this those who wish to become members should forward their annual subscription as soon as practicable.

The Treasurer will also thankfully receive any donations and contributions which benevolent individuals may think proper to make to this fund.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, Chairman.

"AN ACT to provide a fund for the Relief of the Widows and Children of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio.

"Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by this General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That M. T. C. Wing, William Sparrow, John P. Bausman, James McElroy, Ethan Allen, R. V. Rogers, B. P. Aydelott; Alvah Sanford, A. Guion and William Preston, clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, and such clergymen in the orders and communion of the said church, as may hereafter become their associates, and shall be contributors to the funds of the corporation herein erected, and as may be admitted into the said corporation by a majority of the members thereof, for the time being, shall be, and they and their successors are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic forever, by the name of "The Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the State of Ohio," and by the same name they and their successors, shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable in law of taking, holding and alienating any estate, real or personal. Provided, that the annual income of such property shall not exceed five thousand dollars.*

Sec. 2. The members of the said corporation and their successors, may meet at such time and place as a majority shall agree upon, for the purpose of forming such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the purpose of this Act: Provided that such rules be not repugnant to the laws and constitution of this State.

Sec. 3. That the said corporation and their successors, by the name aforesaid, shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all courts of justice whatsoever; and that it shall be lawful for them and their successors to have a common seal, and the same to change at their pleasure, and shall in general have and exercise all such privileges as are by law incident and necessary to a corporation of this kind, to enable them to carry into effect the designs of this Act; for the benefit and succour and relief of the widows of such clergymen of the

Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, agreeably to such rules and by-laws as may be established for the management and payment of annuities to the said widows, and for the education of their children, and settling them in some useful business or profession: Provided also, that any future Legislature may alter, amend or appeal this Act, provided such appeal shall not infringe any vested rights.

JOHN H. KEITH,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DAVID T. DISNEY,

Speaker of the Senate.

February 27, 1834.

FUNDAMENTAL LAWS,

For the Management of the Funds and Payment of the Annuities of the Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Ohio.

1. The yearly contributions of the clergy, whose widows and children shall be hereby entitled to annuities, shall be five, ten, fifteen and twenty dollars,—called classes or rates.

2. Each contributor shall abide by that rate or class which he first chooses; except on the following conditions: If he desire to go from a lower to higher class, he shall pay the difference between his former and his new rate of subscription for all the years in which he has paid the smaller sum, together with the interest thereon computed at the compound rates. If he change from a higher to a lower, he shall be repaid the difference between his two rates of subscription, during the term of his subscribing, without any interest thereon.

3. The first contribution shall be paid in advance, that is, on the persons becoming a member of the Corporation.

4. Each contributor shall pay his annual contribution to the Corporation on or before the second day of the meeting of the annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, under the penalty of 12½ per cent per annum, on his original subscription, for each year's default, and whensoever the penalty shall amount to the whole sum heretofore subscribed by him, this sum shall be forfeited to the Corporation, and he be no longer considered as a contributor, except he shall afterwards comply with such terms, as to the Corporation, may appear equitable and expedient.

5. Should any member choose to withdraw from the Corporation, he shall receive no compensation for the money which he has contributed; but his widow and children shall be entitled to 10 per cent. upon the money contributed. And any contributor removing from the State, although he can no longer be considered as a member of the Corporation, may remain a contributor, and he, and after his death his wife and children shall be treated as is directed by the laws of the Corporation. But if it should be inconvenient for him, after his removal, to continue his subscription, he shall then be repaid the sum which he shall have advanced, penalties excepted, with legal interest on each contribution, during the time the Corporation shall have used the money.

6. If a clergyman die before he shall have completed five annual payments, his family shall be entitled to an annuity of three times his annual contribution: if he

shall have paid five and less than ten, they shall receive an annuity of four times his annual contribution; if ten and less than fifteen, they shall be paid an annuity of five times his annual contribution; and if fifteen or upwards, they shall then receive an annuity of six times his annual contribution—and no annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor, till one year from his death.

7. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they be twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

8. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time that he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child, and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants; which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated, and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children, as the Corporation shall direct.

9. If there be a widow and one child the annuity shall be equally divided between them: but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, twenty-one years; or if a female, twenty-five, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child, during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child should die before the mother, or when the child may come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her, during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow; but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow, and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third, during her widowhood, or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among the children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of twenty-one years, if a male, or twenty-five, if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of twenty-one, and the female or females at the age of twenty-five: provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children at the age herein prescribed shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow: and that if death should remove all the children, or when they may have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity go to the widow, if she be still alive, and remaining a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, or the term of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

10. The donations which may be made to the Corporation, shall constitute a separate fund, the benefit of which shall be applied to the relief of such families of the members of the Corporation as require peculiar assistance; and as it cannot be ascertained what annuity such a fund may yield, it shall remain with the Corporation to apply this money as the necessity of the case shall to them appear to require.

But upon the death of a contributor, whose family the treasurer may believe to be in want of the assistance of this fund, it shall be lawful for him to apply to their relief such a sum, as he may think it can afford, according to the time which may elapse before the time appointed for the next meeting of the Corporation.

11. The Corporation shall have power to alter the annuities agreeably to the rate of interest that can be obtained: but no alteration shall take place from a supposition that there are too few annuitants for the funds.

R U L E S

FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. At every annual meeting there shall be chosen a President, Treasurer and Secretary, who shall remain in office till the next annual election. The Bishop, if he be a member, shall be president ex-officio.

2. On urgent occasions, the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, and pay the annuities agreeably to the direction of the Corporation, and by the advice of such counsellor or counsellors as he shall be directed to consult. He shall give bond in such sum as the Corporation shall judge necessary for the security of their funds.

4. The Secretary shall take down minutes of the proceedings of the Corporation, and record them in a book to be kept for the purpose. He shall faithfully preserve all papers and accounts committed to his care, and deliver them to his successor.

5. During each annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.

D I R E C T I O N S

FOR PERSONS DESIROUS TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS AND FOR THOSE DESIRING ORDINATION AS DEACONS AND PRIESTS.

[Altered agreeably to the Canons of the General Convention of 1841]

DIRECTIONS FOR THOSE WISHING TO BECOME CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS.

CANON IX.—*Sec. I. Gen. Conv. 1841.*—A person wishing to become a candidate for Holy orders, must, in the first instance, give notice of his intention to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese; in which notice he shall declare whether he has ever applied for admission as a candidate in any other diocese.

Sec. 2. He is then to apply to the Standing Committee for their recommendation of him to the Bishop, to be admitted as a candidate for Orders. To enable the Committee to act, he must lay before them—I. Evidence of his having made his intention known to the Bishop. II. A certificate to the following effect, unless the Standing Committee can certify the same facts of their own knowledge:

To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Ohio.

(Date.)

"We, the subscribers, from a satisfactory knowledge of the character of A. B., do hereby testify our belief that he is pious, sober and honest; that he is attached to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and a communicant of the same; and, in our opinion, possesses such qualifications as will render him apt and meet to exercise the ministry to the glory of God, and the edifying of the Church."

The above certificate should be signed by one presbyter, and at least four respectable laymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the above should have a personal acquaintance with the applicant; but they may act upon such knowledge of his character from other sources as is satisfactory to them.

III. (Sec. 3.) A satisfactory diploma, or other satisfactory evidence that he is a graduate of some University or College; or a certificate from two presbyters, appointed by the Bishop, or where there is no Bishop, the clerical members of the Standing Committee, to examine him, of his having satisfactorily sustained an examination in Natural Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, and Rhetoric, and in the Greek Testament and the Latin Tongue.—Or, (Sec. 4.) when the person applying to be admitted a candidate, wishes the knowledge of the Latin and Greek languages, and other branches of learning not strictly ecclesiastical, to be dispensed with, he must, instead of the above mentioned diploma or certificate, lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial, signed by at least two presbyters of the Church, stating, that, in their opinion, he possesses extraordinary strength of natural understanding, a peculiar aptitude to teach, and a large share of prudence; with proper evidence that the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, has granted such dispensation. The Canons provide that this dispensation shall not be granted to any person under 27 years of age, and that no person shall be ordained under such a dispensation until he shall have attained 30 years of age; but as to the Hebrew language, the power of dispensation rests with the Bishop alone, without reference to the age of the candidate. The Standing Committee may then sign a testimonial in behalf of the candidate, which he must produce to the Bishop, who (Sec. 6.) may thereon admit him as a candidate for Orders; in which station he must remain three years before his ordination, unless the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, shall deem it expedient to ordain him after the expiration of a shorter period, not less than one year.*

* The Canon contains also the following provisions, which, however, have no relation to the testimonials (Sec. 5.) With this enumeration of qualifications, it ought to be made known to the candidate, that the Church expects of him—what can never be brought to the test of any outward standard—an inward fear and worship of ALMIGHTY GOD: a love of religion, and sensibility to its holy influence; a habit of devout affection: and in short, a cultivation of all those graces which are called in Scripture the fruits of the Spirit, and by which alone, His sacred influence can be manifested.

(Sec. 9.) If a candidate shall not, within three years after his admission, apply for his first and second examinations, or within five years, his third examination, except from causes seeming good to the Bishop, he shall in either case cease to be a candidate.

(Sec. 10.) Any person desirous to become a candidate for Holy Orders, must apply to the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority of the diocese in which he resides, unless they shall consent that the application be made in some other diocese.

Candidates are not to change their canonical residence but from bona fide causes requiring the same, and to be judged of by the Bishop or ecclesiastical authority.

**DIRECTIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS WISHING TO BE ORDAINED
DEACONS.**

CANON XV.—(Sec. 2.) *Gen. Conv. 1832.*—A candidate for Holy Orders wishing to be ordained a Deacon, must lay before the Standing Committee a testimonial in the following words:

" To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Ohio.

" We, whose names are hereunder written, do testify from evidence satisfactory to us, that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as we know or believe, written, taught, or held any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this ——— day of ———, in the year of our LORD ———."

The above certificate is to be subscribed by the minister and vestry of the parish where the candidate resides, or by the vestry alone, if the parish be vacant, (of which circumstance the Committee must be duly certified,) and must contain the names of at least a majority of all the wardens and vestrymen. The respective titles of the minister, wardens, and vestrymen, must be attached to their signatures. If there be no vestry where the candidate resides, the circumstance must be certified to the Committee, and then the testimonial must be signed by at least twelve respectable persons of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

It is not absolutely essential that the signers of the testimonials should be personally acquainted with the candidate; they may act upon a satisfactory knowledge of his character from any other source.

The candidate must also lay before the Standing Committee a certificate in the following words:

" To the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Ohio.

" I do hereby testify that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived piously, soberly, and honestly; and hath not, so far as I know or believe, written, taught, or held, any thing contrary to the doctrine or discipline of the Protestant Episcopal Church; and moreover, I think him a person worthy to be admitted to the sacred order of Deacons. This testimonial is founded upon my personal knowledge of the said A. B., for one year last past, and for the residue of the said time upon evidence that is satisfactory to me. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, this ——— day of ———, in the year of our LORD ———."

The above testimonial must be signed by at least one respectable presbyter of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States. The Standing Committee may then sign the canonical recommendation to the Bishop for Orders; which the candidate is to exhibit to the Bishop.

DIRECTIONS FOR DEACONS WISHING TO BE ORDAINED PRIESTS.

A Deacon wishing to be ordained a Priest, must lay before the Standing Committee the same testimonials, subscribed in the same way, as those required of him on his application for ordination as a Deacon; except (Sec. 5,) that they may be so altered as to extend to such portion only of the three years preceding his application for Priest's Orders as has elapsed since his ordination as Deacon; and except.

also, that if he be the minister of the parish, the testimonial of piety, good morals and orderly conduct, shall be signed by the vestry alone. The Standing Committee may then give him the canonical recommendation for Orders, which he is to exhibit to the Bishop.

No person shall be ordained Priest, unless he shall produce to the Bishop a satisfactory certificate, from some church, parish, or congregation, that he is engaged with them, and that they will receive him as their minister; or unless he be a missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese to which he belongs; or in the employment of some missionary society recognized by the General Convention; or unless he be engaged as a professor, tutor, or instructor of youth, in some college, academy, or other seminary of learning duly incorporated.*

Candidates for ordination as Priests or Deacons. are referred to the following further provisions:

CANON XV. 1832.—(Sec. 3.) If the candidate, from peculiar circumstances, not affecting his pious or moral character, shall be unable to procure testimonials from the ministry or vestry of the parish where he resides, testimonials to the effect required, may be received from at least twelve respectable members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from at least one respectable presbyter who has been personally acquainted with the candidate for at least one year.

(Sec. 4.) A candidate recommended by the Standing Committee of any church destitute of a Bishop, if he shall have resided the greater part of the last three years within the Diocese of a Bishop, shall apply to such Bishop for ordination, and shall produce the usual testimonials, as well from the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he has resided, as from the Committee of the Church in the Diocese for which he is to be ordained.

* For the case of one who has officiated as a minister, or been a licentiate, or student of theology, in another denomination, see Canon VII. of the General Convention of 1838.

ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS—1844.

Confirmed,	.	.	.	.	477
Ordained, Presbyters,	.	.	.	.	7
Churches Consecrated,	.	.	.	.	3
New Parishes Organized,	.	.	.	.	2
Candidates for Orders,	.	.	.	.	12
Clergy,	{	Received from other Dioceses,			6
		Removed to other Dioceses,			9
		Displaced from the Ministry,			1
		Restored,			1

ABSTRACT OF THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1844.

Baptisms, in 40 Parishes, Infants,	.	351	
Do do Adults,	.	55—Total,	406
Communicants in 52 Parishes, Added,	.	.	463
Do do Died, Removed, Suspended, &c.	.	.	280
Do do Present number,	.	.	3034
Marriages,	.	.	98
Funerals,	.	.	217
Sunday School Teachers,	.	.	222
Sunday School Scholars in 24 Parishes,	.	.	1326

CHURCH IN OHIO.

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" Ethan Allen,	T. W. Rogers,
" Richard Bury,	A. P. Prichard.

N O T I C E .

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in Christ Church, Cincinnati, on the eleventh day of September, 1845.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER,

Secretary.

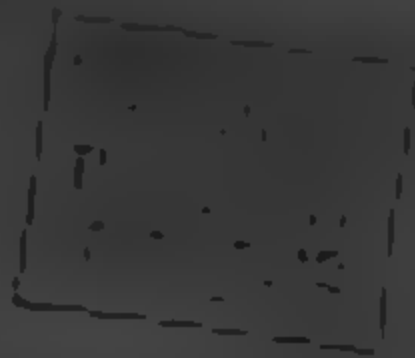


NOTICE

The next Annual Convention of the Evangelical
Church, in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in Chicago
Convention, on the eleventh day of September, 1840.

JOSEPH MURKIN, Secy.

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IN

THE DIOCESE OF OHIO;

HELD IN CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI,

ON

THURSDAY THE ELEVENTH, FRIDAY THE TWELFTH, AND SATURDAY
THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER,

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LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

The Rt. Rev. CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Gambier.

The Rev. Ethan Allen, residing in Cincinnati.

The Rev. William W. Arnett, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.

The Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, D. D., residing in Cincinnati.

The Rev. Norman Badger, Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.

The Rev. William J. Bakewell, Deacon, residing in Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Rev. Daniel J. Berger, Rector of Trinity Church, Toledo.

The Rev. Alfred Blake, Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. James B. Britton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

The Rev. Abraham Bronson, Rector of Bethel Church, Boston.

The Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson, President of Kenyon College.

The Rev. J. T. Brooke, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. John L. Bryan, Minister of St. James' Church, Batavia, and St. Peter's, Rome, and Missionary.

The Rev. Erastus Burr, Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

The Rev. William M. Burton, Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.

The Rev. Richard Bury, Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. E. H. Canfield, Deacon, Minister of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

The Rev. Chauncey Colton, D. D., Principal of the Cincinnati Classical Academy, Cincinnati.

The Rev. Robert G. Cox, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.

The Rev. G. S. Davis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.

The Rev. George Denison, Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.

The Rev. Alexander F. Dobb, Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus.

The Rev. Abraham Edwards, Rector of St. David's Church, Centerville, Gallia Co., and Missionary.

The Rev. Robert S. Elder, Rector of St. John's Church, Worthington, and Grace Church, Berkshire.

The Rev. William Fagg.

The Rev. Thomas B. Fairchild, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster, and Missionary.

The Rev. John Foster, Deacon, residing at Dayton.

The Rev. Lyman N. Freeman, Rector of Christ Church, Sandusky City.

The Rev. George D. Gillespie, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. William Granville, Rector of St. James' Church, Boardman.

The Rev. Richard Gray, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross-Creek, and Missionary.

The Rev. Alvah Guion, Rector of St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

The Rev. John Hall, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

The Rev. Albert Helfenstein, residing at St. Mary's.

The Rev. Humphrey Hollis, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Lower Sandusky, and Missionary.

The Rev. Levi L. Holden, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Grafton, and Calvary Church, Pittsfield, and Missionary.

The Rev. Sabin Hough, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

The Rev. Richard S. Killin, Rector of Grace Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. Alexander McLeod, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.

The Rev. Albert T. McMurphy, Rector of Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke Co., and Missionary.

The Rev. Samuel Marks, Rector of Christ Church, Huron, and Missionary.

The Rev. Joseph Mayo, Rector of Christ Church, Liverpool.

The Rev. Intrepid Morse, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

The Rev. Joseph Mucnscher, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

The Rev. Henry Payne, Rector of St. James' Church, Piqua.

The Rev. Alanson Phelps, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

The Rev. Ephraim Punderson, Rector of Trinity Church, Lyme.

The Rev. Henry L. Richards, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

The Rev. John Sandels.

The Rev. Alvah Sanford, Principal of the Granville Female Seminary.

The Rev. William A. Smallwood, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

- The Rev. Charles B. Stout**, Rector of St. James' Church, Painesville.
- The Rev. George B. Sturges**, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.
- The Rev. John Swan.**
- The Rev. J. Rice Taylor**, Deacon.
- The Rev. David W. Tolford**, Rector of Trinity Church, Troy, and St. Paul's, Greenville, and Missionary.
- The Rev. Abraham Wheeler**, Rector of St. John's, Church, Springfield, Jefferson Co., and Missionary.
- The Rev. M. T. C. Wing**, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theol. Seminary of the Diocese, and residing at Gambier.
- The Rev. Edward Winthrop**, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.
- Total 59.

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WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop.

Rev. William W. Arnett,	Rev. Alvah Guion,
“ Alfred Blake,	“ John Hall,
“ James B. Britton;	“ Levi L. Holden,
“ John T. Brooke, D. D.,	“ Richard S. Killin,
“ Erastus Burr,	“ Albert T. McMurphy,
“ Richard Bury,	“ Joseph Muenscher,
“ E. H. Canfield,	“ Henry Payne,
“ Chauncey Colton, D. D.,	“ Alanson Phelps,
“ Alexander F. Dobb,	“ Ephraim Punderson,
“ Abraham Edwards,	“ Henry L. Richards,
“ Robert S. Elder,	“ John Sandels,
“ Thomas B. Fairchild,	“ William A. Smallwood,
“ Lyman N. Freeman,	“ Edward Winthrop.
“ George D. Gillespie,	Total 28.

CLERGYMEN PRESENT NOT ENTITLED TO SEATS.

Rev. Benjamin P. Aydelott, D. D.,	Rev. J. Rice Taylor,
Rev. John Foster.	Rev. Ethan Allen.
	Total 4.

LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

St. Peter's, Ashtabula, R. W. Griswold.

St. Paul's, Norwalk, Platt Benedict.

St. Paul's, Cincinnati, D. K. Cady, David Gwinne, L. C. Rives.

Trinity, Cleveland, H. L. Smith, H. L. Noble, James Kellogg.

St. Luke's, Marietta, John Kendrick, Frederick Wheeler.

St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon, M. W. Stamp, Isaac Davis, Ebenz'r. Alling.

Christ Church, Cincinnati, W. K. Bond, Nathaniel Sawyer, James F. Irwin.

St. James', Cross-Creek, John B. Baylis.

St. James', Zanesville, Elisha E. Filmore

St. Peter's, Delaware, Leonard H. Cowles.

St. Paul's, Cbillicothe. Owen T. Reeves, S. W. Ely, John K. Francis.

Trinity, Columbus, Walter Thrall, John A. Lazelle.

St. Timothy's, Massillon, Pomeroy Baldwin.

Christ Church, Dayton, B. W. Fahnestock, Levi B. Jones.

Christ Church, Springfield, Elisha Mills, William Coles.

Harcourt Parish, Gambier, M. White.

St. Luke's, Granville, A. P. Prichard.

St. Paul's, Columbus, Fitch J. Mathews, Prosper Warner.

St. John's, Worthington, Ezra Gilbert.

Grace Church, Cincinnati, H. L. Hoffman, R. Perine.

All Saints', Portsmouth, Edward Hamilton, Peter Kinney.

Trinity, Cincinnati, Robert J. Wharton, W. S. Drummond, Nathaniel G. Pendleton.

Grace Church, Cleveland, E. F. Punderson, Geo. E. Freeman.

St. Philip's, Circleville, Philip B. Doddridge.

LIST OF PARISHES

ICALLY IN UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

h, Cincinnati,	Christ Church, Franklin,
"	Christ Church, Liverpool,
h, Dayton,	Grace Church, Sandusky City,
boardman,	Trinity, Lyme,
Worthington,	St. Paul's, Akron,
h, Berkshire,	Bethel, Boston,
eland,	St. Philip's, Strongsville,
rark,	St. Luke's, Columbia,
ranville,	St. John's, Lancaster,
rish, Gambier,	St. John's, Ohio City,
'igua,	St. Andrew's, Elyria,
y,	St. Paul's, Greenville,
lt. Vernon,	St. Paul's, Maumee City,
Delaware,	Trinity, Jefferson,
teubenville,	St. John's, Dover,
ross Creek,	St. John's, Wakeman,
pringfield, Jefferson Co.,	St. Stephen's, East Liverpool,
hillicothe,	Christ Church, Huron,
umbus,	Trinity, Toledo,
Circleville,	St. Barnabas', Hagarstown,
edina,	St. Alban's, Deersville,
, Grafton,	St. Matthew's, Madison,
h, Windsor,	Zion Church, Dresden,
ashtabula,	St. Mark's, Sidney,
Zanesville,	St. James', Wooster,
arietta,	Grace Church, Cincinnati.
's, Perry,	St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,
adnor,	Christ Church, Warren,
latavia,	St. Mark's, Newton Falls,
orwalk,	Christ Church, Hudson,
, Unionville,	St. Paul's, Hartsgrove,
Portsmouth,	St. Paul's, Columbus,
Mill Creek,	Calvary Church, Pittsfield,
s, Massillon,	Christ Church, Tiffin,
's, Plymouth,	Trinity, Cincinnati, ¹
's, Hamilton,	Christ Church, Penfield,
h, Springfield, Clarke Co.,	St. Paul's, Euclid,
'ainesville,	Grace Church, Cleveland,
uyahoga Falls,	St. James', Kingston, Ross Co.,
St. Clairsville,	St. David's, Raccoon, Gallia Co.
Rome,	

Total 81.

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CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI, OHIO,
Thursday, Sept. 11th, 1845.

This being the day appointed by a provision of the Constitution for the annual meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Ohio, the Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in Christ Church, Cincinnati, at 11 o'clock, A. M. The Rev. Erastus Burr of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth, read Morning Prayer; the Rev. William A. Smallwood, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville, read the Lessons; and the Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine, the Ante-Communion Service. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

After Divine Service, the Bishop of the Diocese took the Chair and called the Convention to order. A list of the Clergy, constitutionally entitled to seats in the Convention was then furnished by the Bishop and read by the Secretary of the last Convention, when the following persons answered to their names :

Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop.	
Rev. William W. Arnett,	Rev. Alvah Guion,
Alfred Blake,	John Hall,
James B. Britton,	Levi L. Holden.
John T. Brooke, D. D.,	Richard S. Killin,
Erastus Burr,	Albert T. McMurphy,
Richard Bury,	Joseph Muenscher,
E. H. Canfield,	Henry Payne,
Chauncey Colton, D. D.	Alanson Phelps,
Alexander F. Dobb,	Ephraim Punderson,
Abraham Edwards,	Henry L. Richards,
Robert S. Elder,	John Sandels,
Thomas B. Fairchild,	William A. Smallwood,
Lyman N. Freeman,	Edward Winthrop.
George D. Gillespie,	Total 28.

The names of the Parishes entitled to representation in the Convention, were called, and the certificates of the Lay Delegates were laid upon the Secretary's table; after which, the Convention was declared by the Bishop to be duly organized.

The Convention then proceeded to make choice of a Secretary, and the ballot was, on motion, dispensed with. The Rev. Joseph Muenscher having been nominated, was unanimously re-elected *viva voce*.

The Bishop then appointed the Rev. Erastus Burr, Rev. James B. Britton, and Henry L. Noble, the Standing Committee of Examination, to whom were referred the Certificates of the Lay Delegates. The Bishop also appointed the Rev. Edward Winthrop and A. P. Prichard, the Committee on Unfinished Business.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday, 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and after singing and prayer, proceeded to business.

The Rev. Mr. Burr, Chairman of the Standing Committee of Examination, made the following Report, which, on motion, was accepted:

The Committee appointed to examine and report upon the credentials of Lay Delegates, find the following named persons entitled to seats in this Convention:

St. Peter's, Ashtabula, R. W. Griswold.

St. Paul's, Norwalk, Platt Benedict.

St. Paul's, Cincinnati, D. K. Cady, David Gwinne, L. C. Rives.

Trinity, Cleveland, H. L. Smith, H. L. Noble, James Kellogg.

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Christ Church, Dayton, B. W. Fahnestock, Levi B. Jones.

Christ Church, Springfield, Elisha Mills, William Coles, Edw. H. Cumming.

Harcourt Parish, Gambier, M. White.

St. Luke's, Granville, A. P. Prichard.

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Grace Church, Cincinnati, H. L. Hoffman, R. Perine.

All Saints', Portsmouth, Edward Hamilton, Peter Kinney.

Trinity, Cincinnati, Robert J. Wharton, W. S. Drummond.

The names of the Delegates contained in the preceding report having been called, they all answered and took their seats, with the exception of James D. Caldwell and E. H. Cumming.

The Rev. Mr. Burr from the same Committee, then made the following Report on the Admission of New Parishes, which, on motion, was accepted:

The Committee on the Admission of New Parishes report, that they have examined the papers and vouchers relative to the organization of Grace Church, Cleveland, and finding them correct according to the provision of the Canon on the admission of new parishes, recommend the admission of said Parish into this Diocese.

The Committee also report in favor of the admission of St. James' Church, Kingston, Ross county, and St. David's Church, Racoon, Gallia county.

On motion, the Parishes named in the above report were received into union with the Convention.

The names of the Delegates appointed to represent the aforesaid parishes having been called, the following answered to their names and took their seats:

Grace Church, Cleveland, E. F. Punderson, Geo. E. Freeman.

The Bishop then appointed the following Standing Committees:

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood, Wm. Key Bond and M. W. Stamp.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS.

Rev. A. F. Dobb, Rev. R. Bury, and John Kendrick.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS.

Rev. E. Burr, Rev. A. Guion, E. Hamilton, and O. T. Reeves.

The Bishop then delivered the following

A D D R E S S :

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO :

We have been permitted, in the gracious providence of our blessed Lord, again to meet together to consult for the promotion of the kingdom of God. *'Where two or three are gathered together in my name, (saith the Lord) there am I in the midst of them.'* Perhaps we are accustomed to confine the application of this precious promise too much to our coming together exclusively for prayer and

the ministry of the word. But it has at least as much reference to assemblies for the administration of ecclesiastical affairs, wherein the efficiency of the Church for the promotion of true religion is concerned. Let us use it with this application, on the present occasion. Have we come together, Brethren, in the name of the Lord our strength and righteousness, in whom the Church, as the body of those who are living a life of faith, has all its being? Is it to promote the interests of our particular part of the Church because we are identified with it, that we have assembled ourselves together? or is it to promote the spiritual welfare of our beloved Zion, because it is the household of God; the prosperity of which is the glory of our Lord? I trust, Brethren, we have met *in* the name and *for* the name of Jesus; *in* him, as our hope and portion and joy—*for* him, as the Master whom above all things we desire to glorify. Then let us be sure he is in the midst of us, as he is not with the world. We have not the cloud of glory abiding upon our sanctuary, as had the Israelites of old, to give the outward and visible sign that our Lord is here; but we have an assurance quite as good, that the presence of the Lord and the presence of two or three thus assembled in his name, whether the meeting be held in the consecrated house or the open air, are inseparable. Under this banner let us unite our hearts and minds, in counsel and in prayer and in whatever our hands find to do, while our Convention lasts. The special presence of our dear Master and only Saviour, how sweet to think of it, and to believe in it! Depending on no merit of our; conditional upon no estimate of the apparent importance of any particular measures that may come before us; unconnected with the number, whether greater or less, of those who meet; resting simply on our coming in the faith and love of Christ; for the cause and glory of Christ! May an honor and blessing so unspeakable fill our hearts with humility and reverence and love! May the thought, "*Thou God see'st me,*" repress whatever is light or unseemly, for a Convention of the Church of Christ! Let us make a believing use of the assurance, so as to make our privilege of thus assembling ourselves, each year, the more profitable to ourselves, as well as to the Church! Especially let it animate us to more prayer! On this particular head, I feel that there is something wanting to make our Convention-seasons as profitable as they might be. We have enough time devoted to public worship and the preaching of the word. But it seems to me that we want more coming together of the clergy as clergymen, with reference to the duties, trials, burdens, and great spiritual work common to, and peculiar to, clergymen, for mutual conference or exhortation and for prayer one with another—a family-meeting of brothers in the same stewardship; a very informal, and therefore in a great degree a restricted meeting; and that as often as circumstances allow. We must not forget while we seek to do good to others, how much we need to be quickened, strengthened, enlightened, elevated in heart and mind ourselves. How such an object as that which I have suggested may be best compassed, I am not prepared to advise. It is always a matter of regret to me that the many demands on my time and strength which the Convention always brings with it, besides that of presiding over its sessions, so much prevent me from meeting my brethren for other than business purposes.

The year which has transpired since we last met, has been remarkable for events which will take a prominent place in our ecclesiastical history.

Soon after we separated at Massillon in September last, I proceeded to New York, to attend a meeting of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary. Immediately on the adjournment of that body, commenced the session of the General Convention in Philadelphia. The proceedings of that body have become so

well known. in the points that are most important to be generally understood, that I need not speak of them in detail

The most important part of the proceedings in the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, was that which ensued upon a motion to request of the House of Bishops a declaration of opinion on sundry points of faith with reference to the errors promulgated by the Oxford Tracts and other similar writings. A most animated, instructive and important debate ensued upon that motion. The result was, that a substitute was passed declaring that the House considered "the Liturgy, Offices, and Articles of the Church sufficient exponents of her sense of the essential doctrines of Holy Scripture." This, though much less than, by many, was thought to be demanded by the state of things, was, however, of no little consequence; for that the distinguishing features of the erroneous system in view are capable of being harmonized with any but a "*non-natural*" interpretation of the Articles, is not now pretended by the leaders of that school, much as it was professed at the commencement of their movement. Let us carefully abide by the doctrines of our Prayer Book and Articles, not forgetting the Homilies, as referred to in the Articles, for the further expression of their meaning, and as containing "an explication of Christian doctrine," and we shall certainly abide "upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets." We want no better, no plainer, no stronger expression of the fundamental doctrines of the Gospel, (especially that of justification by faith without the deeds of the law) than such as our own wise and eminently evangelical standards contain. Against the peculiar corruptions of Popery, our Articles and Homilies were chiefly framed. A man must invent some very ingenious method of self-delusion before he can persuade himself that he can consistently continue to profess them and yet hold the characteristic doctrines either of the Popery professed by Romanists, or of the Popery held by Tractarians. But such a method has unhappily been invented. And it was because of this and of the evil influences which were proceeding from those who adopted it, that to many it seemed important that the House of Bishops should make the expression of opinion for which the original motion was made.

But though that motion failed, it led to a debate which has been preserved, and which has been and will be of great service to the cause of truth. That debate, irrespective of all legislative conclusion, I consider a most important part of the proceedings of that branch of the Convention. It was an edifying spectacle to see, on the one side, a bold attack from clergy and laity of various dioceses, upon the whole body of Tractarian errors; the several obnoxious doctrines drawn out in detail and charged as opposed alike to those of the Protestant Reformation, of our own Protestant Church, and of the Holy Scriptures; full of deadly error, and deserving of universal abhorrence; and on the other side, that while the motion for a declaration of opinion was stoutly opposed as uncalled for, and inexpedient, there was no man to take the defence of the errors denounced and vindicate them as consistent either with the Scriptures or the standards of the Church. There was the most unflinching attack. There was literally no defence, unless that may be called defence which consisted merely of a denial that the writings especially referred to were justly chargeable with some of the doctrines alleged. So bold a declaration of the truth and condemnation of opposing error, on the part of so large a portion of our General Convention, being allowed to stand unmet by any attempt to vindicate the errors condemned, and this after so much effort had been made for a long time in various influential quarters to circulate the publications in which those errors are prominently advocated, this I consider an important fact of our ecclesias-

tical history worthy to be had in remembrance. I do not agree with the interpretation which some have given it, as if it indicated a much greater harmony of theological opinion than was previously supposed to exist. We must have some much stronger basis for a conclusion so agreeable, before we can resist the evidences of an opposite description which abounded before the General Convention, and which have been greatly strengthened by events and publications since.

In the House of Bishops, the proceeding which I consider of the greatest moment with reference to the doctrinal character of the Church, was the adoption of the Pastoral Letter. The motion to request an expression of opinion on the part of the Bishops had failed in the other house. The Pastoral Letter contained, however, an expression on the very points suggested in that motion, and one of such plainness and force as was eminently satisfactory to those by whom that motion was urged.

There is one fact which gives the greater point to the declarations of the Pastoral Letter, and which, without a careful examination of the Journal of the House of Bishops, would not be noticed. Many memorials and petitions were sent to the House, from various quarters, and with numerous and most respectable signatures, praying a declaration on the part of the Bishops with direct reference to the peculiar doctrines of Tractarian divinity. All of these were referred to a committee. The only direct answer of the House, to the prayer of the memorialists, was in the language of the report of that Committee, that they knew *"no way by which more satisfactorily to meet the wishes of the memorialists, than to refer them to the Pastoral Letter."* Thus, while the Pastoral Letter did not allude to the Oxford Tracts by name, or the particular school or system of divinity with which they are identified, its intended bearing upon them was declared. And, in truth, nothing could be more utterly subversive of that whole structure of doctrine, which, under a pretence of being so primitive and catholic, has so disturbed the peace of our communion, than the doctrines set forth in that Letter of the House of Bishops to the whole Episcopal Church of these States. Its main topics are the Rule of Faith, the Justification of Man, and the Nature, Degree and Efficacy of the Sacraments. On these great topics it is certainly thoroughly Protestant, and therefore, thoroughly opposed to the doctrines of that school, to which no form of doctrine is more abhorrent than that on which the Protestant Reformation was based. And to make the identity of its declaration with that of the English Reformers the more unquestionable, it exhorts you to *"listen to no interpretation of our Articles that would draw you from the Protestant faith;" "to keep the principles of our Reformation from contamination, by a careful reading of the Holy Scriptures," to give no man reason to accuse us of having "departed in the slightest degree from the spirit and principles of the Reformation, as exemplified by the Church of England."* Yes, Brethren, let us hold fast those great principles of Scriptural faith, as our Reformers taught them, and let us carry them out in ministry and life, as the Spirit of Christ, which revealed them, would lead us, and our Church is safe in whatever sea of storm and tempest her way shall lie, because the Lord is with her.

Immediately on the adjournment of the General Convention, the Bishops went into a visitation of the General Theological Seminary, which called me again to New York. As soon as that duty was over, I returned to Ohio, but had scarcely been allowed to enter upon any diocesan duty, before I was summoned to New York again, to sit upon the trial of the Bishop of the Diocese of New York. Of that distressing event, it is unnecessary that I should give any account. Of those by whose presentment the trial was brought on; of those on whose testimony the

charges were sustained, of the verdict and sentence of the Court, I see no need of any vindication. The common sense, and the moral sense of the Church, with all the evidence before them, have given it already, and may be confidently relied on for whatever may hereafter be required. I have only to say, that since the issue of that trial, if I were called to decide whether the Church has been more dishonored by the immorality of which the accused was found guilty, or by the grounds on which, and the spirit with which, a part of the Church, (I am sure a very small part) has endeavored to uphold him, in spite of that verdict, and in doing so to bring contempt upon the highest tribunal of our ecclesiastical government, I should be unable to answer.

As soon as that trial was over, I hastened back to my diocese, and reached home about the 10th of January. Thus from the adjournment of our Convention on the 7th of September to the 10th of January, a period of four months, with little intermission, I was occupied with imperative duties in the East. This period embraced the part of the year on which I usually depend, more than any other, for the visitation of the diocese—the roads and my own strength being then usually in the most favorable state.

On my arrival at home, I found that the Rev. Dr. Fuller, Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary, whom I had left provisionally discharging the duties of President of Kenyon College, in the vacancy occasioned by the dismissal of D. B. Douglass, LL. D., had been entirely disabled by failure of health; so that neither in that temporary office, nor in his proper duties as Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary, and Rector of the Parish, was he able, from that time to the period of his resignation, in May, to perform any official service. The loss of the services of so valuable an officer, especially in the then circumstances of our Institutions, made it necessary that I should undertake much additional labor, unless I would see great evil arise to a cause for which so much had already been done. I therefore undertook the instruction of the Senior Class in the College, and the duties of the Milnor Professor of Divinity. These, with preaching every Sunday at Gambier, a lecture once a week to the parish, and a more private devotional meeting with students once a week, in my study, wholly occupied my time until the opening of spring when I set out upon a visitation of the middle and south-western part of the Diocese. Meanwhile the Trustees of the Theological Seminary had induced the Rev. Sherlock A. Bronson, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville, to officiate as President of the College, until they should make a permanent appointment, so that I was relieved of a part of the instruction I had undertaken. On the re-opening of the courses of study at Gambier, the Rev. Dr. Fuller having now resigned his professorship on account of the state of his health, and no successor having been obtained, it was necessary that I should continue to sustain the instructions in that department, which, with my usual weekly amount of preaching, occupied me until the College Commencement in the beginning of August. In this, however, there was not much interference with the visitation of the parishes, as I have scarcely ever found myself justified in going out to much extent, on that duty, during the warm season of the year.

Thus you have a general sketch of those official, public engagements, which, since we last met together, have occupied the most of my time. My visitations have been fewer than usual, because one half of the time which roads, seasons and strength usually allow me to give to that work, was consumed in the duties out of the diocese, as before mentioned.

The Parishes visited since the last Convention are as follows, viz:—St. James', Cross Creek; St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson Co.; Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke Co.; Trinity Church, Columbus; St. Paul's, Columbus; Christ Church, Cincinnati; Grace Church, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; St. Matthew's, Hamilton; Christ Church, Dayton; Trinity Church, Troy; St. Paul's, Greenville; St. James', Piqua; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. John's, Lancaster; St. Peter's, Delaware; St. John's, Worthington; Grace Church, Berkshire; St. Luke's, Granville; Trinity Church, Newark; St. James', Zanesville; St. Matthew's, Perry, and All Saints', Portsmouth.

The Confirmations have been as follows, viz:—At St. James', Cross Creek, 9; St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson, Co., 2; Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke Co., 5; Trinity Church, Columbus, 25; St. Paul's, Columbus, 14, and at a station in the country where the Rector of St. Paul's preaches, 12; Christ Church, Cincinnati, 10; Grace Church, Cincinnati, 2; St. Paul's, Cincinnati, 4; Christ Church, Dayton, 10; Trinity Church, Troy, 6; St. Paul's, Greenville, 6; St. James', Piqua, 16; St. Paul's, Chillicothe, 16; St. Philip's, Circleville, 10; St. John's, Lancaster, 2; St. Peter's, Delaware, 11; St. John's, Worthington, 2; Grace Church, Berkshire, 1; St. Luke's, Granville, 19; Trinity Church, Newark, 4; St. James', Zanesville, 6; All Saints', Portsmouth, 13;—in all 205.

After my Address to the last Convention, I ordained, to the order of Presbyters, the Rev. A. T. McMurphy; and to that of Deacons, Alexander McLeod, M. D. At an ordination held in Rosse Chapel, Gambier, on the 24th of last month, I ordained, to the order of Presbyters, the Rev. Alexander McLeod. and to that of Deacons, J. Rice Taylor, during the last year a student of our Theological Seminary.

Eight candidates for orders have been received during the last year, making thirteen in all, one of those reported at the last Convention having been ordained, and another dismissed. The present candidates are, George Thompson, C. F. Lewis, William Miller, Geo. W. Dubois, O. Taylor, Charles Arcy, A. D. Benedict, R. S. Nash, T. S. Goodwin, T. B. Lawson, Hiram Bishop, (these pursuing their studies at the Theological Seminary of the Diocese) David Elder, residing at Worthington, John R. Allen at Chillicothe, Wm. French at present in N. York, J. W. Craycroft, at Akron, and Willis R. Barris in the northern part of the diocese.

Three Churches have been consecrated during the year, viz: Christ Church, Springfield, Clarke Co.; St. Paul's, Greenville, and Rosse Chapel, Gambier.

It must be a matter of thankfulness to the Diocese, that, by the aid of the contributions of our brethren chiefly in other dioceses, the noble edifice at Gambier, so important to the proper celebration of the services of the Church, at a place where especially they should be seen in all their solemnity and fitness, is, at length, after so many years since its foundation, completed. It is completed, with the exception of the plaistering of the vestibule and vestry-room, and is a beautiful example of simplicity of design and of tastefulness and appropriateness and yet economy of decoration. We are indebted to friends in Columbus for most acceptable presents of lamps and other furniture. The change in the circumstances of the public worship of our College and Theological Seminary, as well as of the Parish about them, is most important and delightful, from having been during all the previous years of their existence confined to places most inconvenient and unsuitable, to our being now favored with one of the most appropriate churches in the west.

The new parishes organized during the year are two, viz. Grace Church, Cleveland, and St. James', Kingston.

I have received into union with this Diocese, during the year past, by letters dismissory, the Rev. W. J. Bakewell from Pennsylvania, the Rev. W. W. Arnett from the same, who has taken the Rectorship of Christ Church, Dayton; the Rev. Sabin Hough from Michigan, who has taken the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Norwalk; the Rev. Robert G. Cox from Michigan, who has taken the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Akron; the Rev. Lewis J. Berger from Michigan, who has taken the Rectorship of Trinity Church, Toledo, and the Rev. George D. Gillespie from Western New York, who has taken the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Cincinnati.

The following clergymen have taken letters dismissory from this diocese, viz:—The Rev. Ethan Allen, to Alabama; the Rev. Edward Lounsbery, to Kentucky; the Rev. Joshua T. Eaton, to Western New York; the Rev. Beardsley Northrop, to the same; the Rev. Samuel Fuller, D. D., to Connecticut; and the Rev. Anson Clarke, to Indiana.

The following changes have taken place within the Diocese, viz:—The Rev. G. S. Davis has resigned St. Andrew's, Elyria, and taken charge of St. Paul's, Medina; the Rev. Lyman N. Freeman has resigned the charge of St. Paul's, Akron, and taken that of Grace Church, Sandusky City; the Rev. Wm. Granville has taken charge of St. James', Boardman; the Rev. Richard S. Killin has resigned Christ Church, Dayton, and taken charge of Grace Church, Cincinnati; the Rev. Alexander McLeod has resigned Christ Church, Warren, and St. Mark's, Newton Falls, and taken charge of St. Philip's, Circleville; the Rev. James Sunderland* has resigned the charge of St. Michael's, Unionville, and the Rev. John Swan has resigned St. Timothy's, Massillon.

In my address to the last Convention, I brought before you the subject of the parishes providing furniture for the rooms of theological students in Bexley Hall. The Convention responded by passing resolutions advocating and recommending the plan. The expense of furnishing a suite of rooms consisting of a study for two students and a bed-room for each, is estimated at \$50. From St. Paul's, Steubenville, has been received in furniture and money \$53 20, furnishing one suite of rooms called by the name of that parish. From Trinity Church, Columbus, has been received \$50, furnishing a suite of rooms called after that parish. From St. Paul's, Chillicothe, has been received \$25, besides some furniture. The rest is expected. meanwhile the suite of rooms to which it is appropriated has received the name of that parish. It is earnestly hoped that the matter will not be allowed to stop here.

You are aware that since the painful act of the Trustees of the Theological Seminary, last spring a year, in dismissing from office the then President of Kenyon College, an act of duty to the Institution, which however trying on all sides, I have been more and more persuaded, was an act of simple duty and justice to the trust committed to them, the office of President has been vacant, except as its duties have been performed by temporary expedients. The College has flourished quite as well as could have been expected under such circumstances. I am happy to inform you that, at the late annual meeting of the Trustees, the Rev. Sherlock A.

* Soon after the reading of this address, the Bishop was informed that the Rev. James Sunderland was *dead*, having finished his course in his parish of St. Matthew's, Plymouth, about a week before. "*We all do fade as a leaf.*"

Bronson, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville, was unanimously elected to the Presidency of Kenyon College and has accepted the office. Mr. Bronson is a graduate of the College; has had his mind on its interests for many years; has been intimately acquainted with its concerns for a long time, and is warmly attached to it as an Institution of the Church. Other qualifications it would not be delicate in me to refer to, except that having, by the request of the Trustees, discharged the duties of President during the last term, he has secured the cordial testimony of all, students and officers, to his fitness for the place he has accepted.

You are aware that at the late General Convention a Canon was passed entitled "*Of a Discretion to be allowed in the Calling, Trial and Examination of Deacons in certain cases,*" the object being to provide for a class of deacons of whom the classical and theological examinations now made necessary in all applications for orders, should not be required. Before any Bishop can proceed to ordain under that Canon, he must be requested to do so by a resolution of the Convention of his Diocese. You have therefore a very important subject of consideration before you, viz:—whether you will by resolution request me to ordain Deacons under the liberty granted in the Canon. It is a question not without its difficulties. It is one to which I can easily see that among conscientious and cautious men, equally zealous for the best interests of the Gospel, there may seem to be two sides. Let it be well considered; and whatever is done, let it be the result of your maturest judgment.

The limitations and restrictions which the Canon throws around the liberty it grants, are many. No person can be ordained under it, who has not attained the age of twenty-four; nor until he shall have presented to the Bishop the same testimonial of moral and religious standing required of all other candidates for orders; nor until he shall have been a candidate, at least, one year. He must present to the Bishop a testimonial from at least one rector of a parish, signifying the favorable opinion of the latter of his qualifications; he must be examined in the usual way on his fitness for the duties mentioned in the Ordinal as pertaining to a Deacon; he cannot, when ordained, be allowed to take charge of a parish; he can officiate in no parish but with the approbation of the Bishop, and under the direction of its Rector; he cannot be transferred to another diocese, without the written request of the Bishop to whom he is transferred; he can have no seat in any convention; he can be advanced to the second order of the ministry, only by going through all the preparatory exercises and examinations required in all other cases of candidates; while, in all respects, not provided for by this Canon, Deacons ordained under it, must be under the same directions and control as other Deacons.

Thus it would seem that all the precautions that canon-law can take against abuse, have been engrafted upon this instrument. The rest, in case it goes into operation in this diocese, must be looked for in the prudence of those connected with the recommendation and ordaining of candidates.

When the Report of the Missionary and Education Committee shall come before you, I hope the important objects which it represents will receive your most serious consideration. We are far from our duty as a Church in regard to them. Do not lightly pass over subjects of thought, than which none more important, or having a more legitimate claim on your time, can possibly be presented to this Convention. Consider what the Diocese does to spread the Gospel beyond the bounds of our established parishes. Consider what we ought to do. Consider how we may be brought up to a more faithful discharge of the bounden duty which we all confess. We can do much more. How shall we do it? What means shall we use to arouse the parishes to some zealous efforts?

The Lord direct our hearts and minds, that in all our doings, begun, continued, and ended in Him, we may glorify His holy name, and finally by His mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Winthrop,

Resolved, That the portion of the Bishop's Address touching the Ordaining of Deacons under the late Canon of the General Convention, be referred to a Special Committee of five, who shall report to this Convention.

The Bishop appointed the following persons on that committee, viz:—Rev. Messrs. Winthrop, Brooke, and Britton, and Messrs. D. K. Cady and W. K. Bond.

On motion of Mr. E. Alling,

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to enquire into the practicability of having the Journals printed during the sitting of this Convention. If found to be practicable, that they contract for and superintend the printing of the same, and that 800 copies be published.

The Bishop appointed on that committee, Messrs. D. K. Cady and Nathaniel Sawyer.

The Secretary gave notice that in accordance with the provisions of the 6th Rule of Order, he had appointed the Rev. J. Rice Taylor Assistant Secretary of the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Winthrop offered a Resolution that the next annual meeting of the Convention of this Diocese be held in St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe. The Rev. Mr. Killin moved to amend the resolution offered by Mr. Winthrop, by striking out the words, "St. Paul's, Church, Chillicothe," and inserting the words St. Peter's Church, Delaware. On motion, the resolution and amendment were laid upon the table.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Muenschner,

Resolved, That Canon 14th be referred to the Committee on Canons, with a view to such alterations and amendments as may be deemed necessary for the better accomplishment of the object thereby contemplated.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Britton,

Resolved, That Sec. 4 of Canon 11, be referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved, That Canon 8th, on the Appointment of Deputies to the General Convention, be referred to the Committee on Canons, with instructions to report on the propriety of making such addi-

tions thereto, as shall authorize the Bishop and any Delegates in attendance on the General Convention, to fill vacancies in the delegation from this Diocese.

Mr. Bayless offered the following resolution,

Resolved, That Canon 4th, be referred to the Committee on Canons, to inquire and report on the propriety of reducing the number of Lay Delegates to the Convention to one member from each parish.

Which resolution was rejected.

The Convention, on motion, adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Friday Morning, 9 o'clock, Sept. 12, 1845.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and after singing and prayer, proceeded to business.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved, That a Committee of two be appointed to nominate suitable persons to fill any vacancies which may have arisen in the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary.

The Bishop appointed on that Committee, the Rev. Mr. Smallwood and Mr. E. Alling.

The Rev. Mr. Winthrop, from the Committee on Unfinished Business of the last Convention, made the following report ;

The Committee on Unfinished Business report, that they have examined the Journal of the Convention of 1844, and find on p. 26 the following resolution :

Resolved, That a Committee of three, of which the Bishop of the Diocese shall be one, be appointed to re-organize the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen in this Diocese, draw up the necessary By-laws, appoint a Treasurer, receive the subscriptions of members. and do all such other matters in relation thereto, as may be necessary on the premises, and report to the next Convention.

On p. 28, are the following resolutions :

Resolved, That the interests of the Diocese of Ohio demand a more thorough knowledge of its past legislation, as contained in the Journals of its Conventions since its organization.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Convention be charged with the duty of preparing in manuscript an abstract of the Journals of the Conventions of the Diocese from the first to the present time, so as to afford a correct history of the past legislation of the Diocese, without embracing the details of daily proceedings and other matters of mere temporary interest.

It is thus a matter of business as yet unfinished, that these Committees make the said reports to this Convention.

EDWARD WINTHROP, Chairman.

On motion, the report was accepted and the Committee discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The Rev. Mr. Winthrop from the Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address relating to the Ordination of Deacons under the 6th Canon of the last General Convention, made the following report, which was received and the committee discharged.

The Committee to whom was referred that part of the Bishop's Address touching the appointment of Deacons under the 6th Canon of the General Convention of 1844, beg leave to report, That they have had the subject under consideration, and, in view of the necessities of the Church which the Canon in question is designed to relieve, recommend to the Convention the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention do hereby request the Bishop of the Diocese to carry out the provisions of said Canon.

EDWARD WINTHROP.
JAS. B. BRITTON.
J. T. BROOKE.
WM. KEY BOND.

On a motion to adopt the Report, an animated debate arose upon the merits of the question involved therein, which was at length, on motion, suspended to grant leave to Rev. Mr. Smallwood, from the Committee appointed to nominate suitable persons to fill any vacancies which may have occurred in the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, to make a report.

The Committee reported that there were two vacancies in the Board occasioned by the resignation of Rev. S. A. Bronson and Rev. R. Bury. They nominated Rev. A. F. Dobb and Rev. J. B. Britton, to fill the vacancies.

On motion, the Report of the Committee was accepted and their nomination confirmed.

The Convention then, on motion, adjourned till 2 1-2 o'clock, P.M.

Friday, 2 1-2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. Mr. Sawyer from the Committee appointed in relation to the Printing of the

Journal, made the following Report, which, on motion, was laid upon the table for the present.

The Committee for the purpose of getting the Journal of the Convention printed, would Report, That they have attended to the subject and called on a number of the largest printing establishments in the city, all of whom refuse to undertake it to be completed by the rising of the Convention on Monday next. They are all very much crowded with business, and could not put upon the work a sufficient number of hands to complete the setting it up by that time. Providing it should contain an equal amount of matter of that of last year, it would take eight hands to set it up, in the two days; these hands they cannot spare from their present engagements; beside there would not be time to press it, independent of the stitching of it. Your Committee have moreover a bill of the probable expense of the paper, printing, folding and stitching of the work, viz:—For setting the type, and paper \$83 86; press work \$13 20; covers \$1 50; folding and stitching 75 cents per 100—800 \$6 00—\$104 56.

All which is respectfully submitted.

D. K. CADY.
NATH. SAWYER.

The Convention then resumed the discussion on the Report of the Committee in relation to the Ordaining of Deacons under the provisions of Canon VI. of the last General Convention.

After debate had thereon, the Rev. Mr. Burr moved the postponement of the resolution contained in the report, until the next annual Convention. The Rev. Mr. Muenscher offered as an amendment to the motion of Rev. Mr. Burr, that the resolution recommended by the Committee in their report, be postponed till to-morrow morning, and be made the order of the day at the opening of the Convention. The question on the amendment being put, it prevailed.

The Rev. Mr. Muenscher offered the Report in relation to the Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, as published in the appendix to the Journal of the last Convention, which, on motion, was referred to Rev. Mr. Muenscher and Messrs. N. G. Pendleton and M. W. Stamp.

The Rev. Mr. Sandels made the following Report from the Missionary and Education Committee, which, after being read, was on motion, referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE EDUCATION AND MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

The Education and Missionary Committee respectfully Report, That, during the past year six Missionaries and ten Beneficiaries have been aided from the funds committed to their care.

The Missionaries are Rev. Mr. Bryan, at Rome and Hartsgrove; Rev. Mr. Holden, Grafton and Pittsfield; Rev. Mr. Fairchild, Woos-

ter; Rev. Mr. Tolford, Troy and Greenfield; Rev. Mr. Gray, Cross Creek and St. Clairsville; and Rev. Mr. Wheeler, Springfield, Jefferson county.

The Committee had hoped that the system of Convocations adopted by the Convention of 1840, would give encouragement and energy to missionaries, and increase the interest of our people in the missionary work. But whether owing to some defect in the system itself, or to its not being fully carried out, these objects have not been everywhere attained.

The Committee have observed with much grief, that the contributions for Diocesan Missionary and Education purposes, have not increased as the diocese has increased in strength and ability. In 1836 when many of the parishes, which are now strong and flourishing, were receiving missionary aid, the contributions amounted to \$2480. This year the receipts of the Treasurer have been \$1267, very little more than one half. In connexion with this, it should be remembered that the Diocese of Ohio is expected by the General Miss. Society almost entirely to support her own missions; for, while other dioceses in the west are receiving annually \$3000 and upwards, this diocese receives only \$700 this year, which, after the 1st of Oct. will be reduced to \$500; and we cannot complain of this, for as our statistics show that we are increasing in numbers and strength, it is but reasonable that the pecuniary aid which has been afforded to us should be by degrees transferred to those who are less able to support themselves.

There are at present vacant in this diocese, at least twelve parishes which have churches built, but are unable to sustain a minister without that pecuniary aid which your Committee has not been able to afford them.

Of the ten beneficiaries who have received aid during the past year, the Committee has been compelled to drop one for want of funds.— Three others have applied and been refused. Of these four, two have already left the Institution at Gambier, and it is feared the other two will be compelled to follow their example.

Since the organization of this Committee in 1835, nineteen young men, who are now preaching the Gospel, or having preached it have gone to their reward, have received pecuniary aid. The whole amount devoted to Education in that time, exclusive of what has been appropriated to those who now are candidates for orders, has been \$3541. So that each minister educated for the Church has cost the Diocese \$186. But if you deduct from this, moneys which were merely lent by the Committee, which have been, or are to be refunded, and the monies appropriated to persons, who from too great love of this present world or other causes, have never entered the ministry, the sum paid for the education of each will amount to \$129.

The Committee mention this for the two-fold purpose of showing that the funds entrusted to them have not been lavishly or injudiciously employed; and that the advantages offered for the education of ministers at your Diocesan Institution are such as to merit the confidence, the encouragement and support of the Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

C. ANDERSON, Secy.

Mr. J. B. Bayless offered for the adoption of the Convention, a paper containing a preamble and sundry resolutions; whereupon the Bishop pronounced the paper to be out of order. Mr. Bayless appealed from the decision of the Chair; when, on motion, the appeal was laid upon the table.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to nominate Delegates to the General Convention.

The Bishop appointed on that Committee, Rev. A. Phelps, Rev. J. B. Britton, Rev. W. W. Arnett, A. P. Prichard, J. Kellogg.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Saturday, Sept. 13th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

Convention assembled, pursuant to adjournment, and after singing and prayer, proceeded to business.

The order of the day was, on motion, suspended, in order to give the Bishop leave to lay before the Convention the following paper from the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, which after being read, was, on motion, laid upon the table.

EXTRACT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

Resolved, That the 3d Article of the Constitution of the Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, be, and the same is hereby amended by inserting in the proviso of said article the words "*except the President of Kenyon College*," immediately after the word "*thereto*;" so that the said proviso shall read thus: "*provided that no officer of the Seminary, or of any institution annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board.*"

Resolved, That the President be, and he is hereby requested to communicate the above resolution to the Convention of the Church now in session, with a respectful request that the said Convention will ratify and adopt the said amendment of the Constitution as proposed by said Resolution, and that in communicating this request, the President also avail himself of the occasion, in behalf of the Trustees, to make to the Convention a summary statement of the condition and prospects of Kenyon College.

The President of the Board of Trustees in conforming to the request of the Board in the latter part of the above extract from their minutes, would say in general, that considering how long the College has been without a President; how little attention the health and other duties of Dr. Fuller, while provisionally acting as President, enabled

him to give to the College, and how long, after his health entirely failed, it was destitute even of that measure of superintendence, it could not be supposed but that the Institution would materially suffer in discipline and instruction. I am happy to say, however, that in consequence of the general orderly disposition of the students it has suffered much less than was reasonably to be expected. The state of the College has been one of at least as much order, quietness, observance of law, and attention to study, as the Institution had known during the three previous years. From the period when the present President began to act as provisional President, last spring, the condition of things has been hopefully improving in all respects. The number of students has not declined, and is now encouragingly on the increase. The Trustees have taken energetic measures to bring the expenses of the whole Institution to the measure of income, and by recent enactments which begin this fall to go into operation, will succeed entirely in that object, (unforeseen providences excepted,) and expect by measures not yet quite completed, not only greatly to diminish the risks of over-expenditure, where income must fluctuate to a considerable extent, but also permanently to increase the income independently of the number of students.

In regard to the more internal affairs of the College, it will be sufficient here to read an extract of a communication made by President Bronson to the Board of Trustees at their present session.

"GRANVILLE, SEPT. 5, 1845.

"*Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:*

"Agreeably to your request as President of the Board of Trustees, I offer this statement which is as minute as it can well be at this time.

"As respects the standard of scholarship in the Institution, it does not of course become me to speak particularly. I would state, however, that a great detriment to this Institution in point of numbers, has occurred in consequence of any student of medium rank being able to go and join other Institutions a year in advance.

"In future, the duties to be discharged by the President, are as follows.—One recitation per day in Mental and Moral Philosophy with the Senior Class; one with the Juniors in History and Belles Lettres; one per week in the Bible with all the classes together, and a weekly lecture on History to the Freshman and Sophomore Classes. There will also be required of the Senior and Junior Classes, weekly rhetorical exercises, and the same of the Sophomore and Freshman Classes once in two weeks.

"In the department of Physics, additional instruction will in future be given. To Chemistry (including agricultural) will be added Geology and Mineralogy, and Natural Theology with physiological explanations, by the Professor of Chemistry.

"The department of Mathematics and Natural Philosophy will remain nearly as before. Of its efficiency I need not speak.

"In the classical department, it is in contemplation to give considerably increased advantages. In teaching History by way of lectures.

one fifth will be added to the number of recitations in the Classics; and the Professor of Languages proposes to instruct the Preparatory Class in the Composition of Latin.

"It is, I believe, the determination on all hands, to carry out these arrangements with such vigor as shall entitle the Institution to a liberal patronage.

"Arrangements are also in progress for giving daily gratuitous instruction in Vocal Music.

"Chapel Services are hereafter to be held in the evening at the commencement of study hours, and nothing but the most pressing emergency will be an excuse for absence, or will obtain leave of absence from the hall at night.

"The Senior Preparatory Department is placed in charge of an Instructor of unusual attainments as a scholar, prompt in his attention to duty, exact and thorough in his mode of instruction, and judicious in government. Members in this department will have an opportunity of attending Lectures in Chemistry by paying a fee of five dollars.

"The Junior Preparatory Department, whose arrangements are intended to be as nearly as may be, like those of a family, is committed to the care of persons of tried faithfulness and tender solicitude in all matters that will conduce to the comfort and improvement of the pupils. In paternal and maternal care and sympathy, they will have, as far as can be, the comforts of home as well as the advantages of a school.

"The Principals of both these departments are also to receive the aid and counsel of the other officers of the Institution.

"Yours, Respectfully,

"S. A. BRONSON."

The Convention then passed to the order of the day. After debate thereon, a motion was made to adjourn for Divine service. Before this motion was put to the House, the Rev. Mr. Muenscher from the Committee to whom was referred the Report on the Incorporated Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, asked and obtained leave to offer and lay upon the table a Report in relation to that subject, which was ordered to be published in the Appendix to the Journal. [See Appendix.]

The Convention then adjourned till 2 1-2 o'clock, P. M.

Saturday, 2 1-2 o'clock, P. M.

Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and after singing and prayer, proceeded to business.

The Rev. Mr. Bury asked and obtained leave of absence from the remaining sittings of the Convention. The Convention then passed to the order of the day. The Rev. Mr. Hall moved that the Resolu-

tion offered by the Committee in relation to the Diaconate be indefinitely postponed. The ayes and noes being demanded, Mr. Hall's motion was negatived by the following vote :

CLERGY.

Ayes.—Rev. Messrs. Colton, D. D., Freeman, Gillespie, Guion, Hall, Muensch, Punderson, Richards.—8.

Noes.—Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine, D. D., Rev. Messrs. Arnett, Blake, Britton, Brooke, D. D., Burr, Dobb, Edwards, Elder, Fairchild, Holden, Killin, McMurphy, Payne, Phelps, Sandels, Smallwood, Winthrop.—18.

LAITY.

Ayes.—Messrs. Griswold, Cady, Smith, Kellogg, Wheeler, Stamp, Baylis, Matthews, Perrine, Kinney, Punderson, Freeman.—12.

Noes.—Messrs. Benedict, Noble, Kendrick, Davis, Alling, Bond, Sawyer, Irwin, Fillmore, Cowles, Reeves, Ely, Francis, Thrall, Lazelle; Baldwin, Jones, Mills, Coles, White, Prichard, Hamilton, Wharton, Drummond, Doddridge.—25.

The question being called for on the Resolution as reported by the Committee, and the vote being taken by ayes and noes and by orders, it passed in the affirmative by the following vote :

CLERGY.

Ayes.—Rev. Messrs. Arnett, Blake, Britton, Brooke, D. D., Canfield, Dobb, Edwards, Elder, Fairchild, Holden, Killin, McMurphy, Payne, Phelps, Sandels, Smallwood, Winthrop.—17.

Noes.—Rev. Messrs. Burr, Colton, D. D., Freeman, Gillespie, Guion, Hall, Muensch, Punderson, Richards.—9.

LAITY.

Ayes.—St. Paul's, Norwalk; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; Christ Ch., Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; Trinity, Columbus; St. Timothy's, Massillon; Christ Church, Dayton; Christ Church, Springfield; Harcourt, Gambier; St. Luke's, Granville; Trinity, Cincinnati; St. Philip's, Circleville.—12.

Noes.—St. Peter's, Ashtabula; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; Trinity, Cleveland; St. Luke's, Marietta; St. James', Cross Creek; St. Peter's, Delaware; St. Paul's, Columbus; Grace, Cincinnati; Grace, Cleveland.—9.

The Rev. Dr. Brooke then moved that the vote last taken be reconsidered, which motion prevailed; 34 voting in the affirmative, and 29 in the negative.

The Rev. Mr. Muensch made a general statement, in the absence of the Treasurer, with regard to the Episcopate and Contingent Funds, which was, on motion, referred to the Standing Committee of Finance.*

* For the full Report of the Treasurer see the Appendix.

The Rev. Dr. Brooke then moved the adoption of the following resolutions instead [of the one reported by the Committee on the Diaconate.

1. *Resolved*, That this Convention recognize the principle of the Diaconate involved in this Canon as consistent and primitive.

2. *Resolved*, That the Convention do not deem it expedient at this time to request the Bishop to ordain under the authority of the same.

The question being taken, on motion, by ayes and noes on the first resolution, it was adopted by the following vote :

CLERGY.

Ayes.—Rev. Messrs. Arnett, Britton, Brooke, D. D., Burr, Dobb, Edwards, Elder, Fairchild, Guion, Hall, Holden, Killin, McMurphy, Muenscher, Payne, Phelps, Punderson, Sandels, Smallwood, Winthrop.—20.

Noes.—Rev. Messrs. Gillespie and Richards.—2.

Excused.—Rev. Messrs. Colton, D. D., and Freeman.—2.

LAITY.

Ayes.—Messrs. Griswold, Benedict, Smith, Noble, Kellogg, Kendrick, Wheeler, Stamp, Davis, Alling, Bond, Sawyer, Irwin, Reeves, Thrall, Lazelle, Baldwin, Jones, Mills, Coles, White, Prichard, Hoffman, Perrine, Hamilton, Wharton, Freeman, Doddridge.—28.

Noes.—Messrs. Cady, Gwynne, Matthews, Warner, Kinney, Punderson.—6.

Excused.—Baylis.—1.

The question was then taken upon the second Resolution, and it passed in the affirmative by the following vote :

CLERGY.

Ayes.—Rev. Messrs. Arnett, Brooke, D. D., Burr, Canfield, Fairchild, Freeman, Gillespie, Guion, Hall, Mueuscher, Punderson, Richards, Sandels.—13.

Noes.—Rev. Messrs. Blake, Britton, Dobb, Edwards, Elder, Holden, Killin, McMurphy, Payne, Phelps, Smallwood, Winthrop.—12.

Excused.—Rev. Dr. Colton.—1.

LAITY.

Ayes.—Messrs. Griswold, Cady, Gwynne, Smith, Kellogg, Kendrick, Wheeler, Stamp, Baylis, Jones, Matthews, Warner, Hoffman, Perrine, Kinney, Punderson, Freeman.—17.

Noes.—Messrs. Benedict, Davis, Alling, Bond, Sawyer, Irwin, Reeves, Thrall, Lazelle, Mills, Coles, White, Prichard, Hamilton, Wharton, Doddridge.—16.

The Rev. Mr. Guion submitted the following Report from the Sunday School Committee, which, on motion, was accepted.

The Sunday School Committee, in presenting to the Convention their Report, have to regret that owing to the want of means for the establishment of Depositories of Books, but little has been accomplished during the past year.

The Depositories in Cincinnati and Columbus have been kept open with a capital amounting only to \$400. Mr. I. N. Whiting has engaged to keep a supply of Sunday School and other Church books in Columbus; and the Committee are about to employ all their means in a Depository in Cincinnati. But in order to have this depository what it should be, further aid from the parishes will be necessary.

Reports have been received from 28 Sunday Schools, in which there are 332 Teachers and 2520 Scholars.

The Committee beg leave to make one or two suggestions, as it regards the most effectual way of communicating divine truths to the children of our Sunday Schools.

The Committee regard it as a matter of great importance that each Rector meet his Teachers weekly, and instruct them in those truths and doctrines which are from Sunday to Sunday to be presented to the lambs of his flock, and that he also be present as superintendent of his school. The same divine head who has instructed him to feed the sheep, has also instructed him to feed the lambs. Perhaps in no place can he more effectually perform this important branch of duty than in the Sunday School. He cannot entrust this work of training up young immortals for the Church and for heaven, to unauthorized hands, but may avail himself of the help of all pious willing hearted persons.

The Committee would also suggest the great importance of Catechetical instruction. The Sunday School under the direction of the rector is to be regarded as the nursery of the Church. The Church's system of instruction then, must be adopted. The Church Catechism being both a condensed form of this system, and of the leading doctrines of the Bible, should be the basis of instruction. Nothing can supply its place, it cannot be dispensed with. The Catechism presents the leading truths of the Bible, those truths which the Church would have early and deeply impressed upon the minds of her children. Our Sunday Schools must teach the Catechism, if they would teach sound doctrines, and become nurseries to the Church. Not barely by having it committed to memory, but by teaching the truths contained therein, which are drawn from the Bible and which alone can make wise unto salvation.

This system cannot be effectually carried out without the presence and superintendence of the pastor; and besides this it becomes his duty from time to time, to catechise the lambs of his flock "openly in the church," and explain it to them in public addresses or lectures. In this work the rector would be aided by presenting them to the Bishop for catechetical instruction during his visit to his parish.

This system faithfully worked by pastors, parents and teachers, in humble dependence upon divine grace, would, it is believed, greatly

increase the list of young candidates for the rite of confirmation, and the number of worthy communicants in the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAH GUION, *Chairman*

The Rev. Mr. Dobb, from the Standing Committee on Missions, presented the following Report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee on Missions having examined the Annual Report of the Missionary and Education Committee, which was referred to them, find occasion for thankfulness, on the ground that although, as that report states, there is a vast falling off in the contributions of the present year, compared with those so far back as 1836; yet there has been an increase on the contributions of the previous year of \$323; and when it is recollected that the report presented at the last Convention shewed an increase of a like sum over the contributions of the then previous year, the cheering fact that twice in succession there has been an annual increase of funds applicable to Diocesan Missionary and Education purposes of about \$300, would seem to shew that the interest felt in this important branch of our missionary work is growing and strengthening in the Church. Should the like annual income continue, as it is devoutly to be hoped it may, we may feel encouraged to look forward to the time, when this Diocese will be enabled to dispense entirely with the aid of the General Society, and not only support her own beneficiaries, but contribute to the support of others. It would seem that this gradual improvement is the result of the adoption of more systematic measures by the clergy, for inspiring the missionary spirit in their parishes, and receiving the benefactions of their people. The monthly collections under the offertory, has been adopted by some, the weekly offerings by others; and in all, it is believed, where either of these plans has been faithfully carried out, and affectionately pressed on the people, although, looking at the means in the Church, and the cause for the advancement of which they are solicited, we cannot but think that the amounts realized are small; yet has there been a very gratifying improvement. Let the clergy be faithful to their duty in spreading before their people missionary intelligence, and asking statedly their alms for the work of the Lord, cultivating amongst them the habit of giving as a means of grace, encouraging the children of the Sunday schools to engage in this blessed work, and it may be hoped, that though it is now the day of small things, yet the little one shall by and by become a thousand, and our beloved Zion be found lifting up her head in every town and village of the Diocese.

It is melancholy to reflect that the funds of the past year, notwithstanding this increase, fall so far short of meeting fully our opportunities for usefulness in this way, that four worthy young men, needing the fostering aid of the Church in their preparation for the labors of her ministry, have had to be denied that aid altogether. Surely such a state of things will not be permitted to continue. Surely those parishes which have not hitherto contributed to this object will endeavor

hereafter so to do, and those which have, strive to do more. When 12 parishes in the Diocese are vacant, and ministers of our Church wanted in every direction, shall we permit those who would come up to the help of the Lord and his church, to return to the world for want of the small means which their necessities call for? If every clergyman and every layman in the Diocese, would determine to give to God from this time a certain proportion, say at least one tenth of that which God has given him, and teach his children to do the same, they would not be impoverished, for what a man lendeth to the Lord, He has promised to pay him again, and the Church would soon be comparatively rich. Let the clergy lead the way, putting their trust in God, in whose hands are the hearts of all men, depositing one-tenth of every dollar they receive from whatever source, and one-tenth too of the value of every present which a kind people are in the habit of making, and then may we hope and believe that many of our lay brethren will be induced to follow so good an example. The means of clergymen we know are small; but, it is believed, that a plan of this kind faithfully persevered in as a means of grace, and a precious religious privilege, must tell largely upon the prosperity of a parish, and eventually bring back again all that has thus been laid out, with interest both temporal and spiritual.

It is to be regretted that the convocational system, to which the report alludes, does not work well. The supply of monthly services by the regular pastors of churches to destitute points, seems but a poor substitute for the regular ministrations of the word; but few, if any parishes have been built up in this way; and for ministers to leave their churches closed several Sundays in the year, as they must do, if they perform missionary duty of this kind, and attend all the convocational meetings, is painful to them, and certainly not beneficial to their parishes. There seems something wanting in our Church to meet this precise difficulty, and furnish to destitute places the Gospel in the Church, without the expense incident to the full support of a regularly educated ministry, and without subjecting the clergy in charge of parishes to the necessity of closing their churches, to give at distant intervals an occasional service abroad. Should the Canon of the last General Convention, relating to Deacons, be adopted, or could our regular candidates be ordained after one year's devotion to study, to continue in the diaconate three years subject to the direction of the Bishop as to the points they should occupy according to canon, it seems to your Committee the difficulty would be met. Until something of this kind is adopted by the Church, we must be content to abide under the reproach of not caring for the poor, and not providing for the sheep of Christ which are scattered abroad.

It is observed with pleasure that the funds, heretofore furnished the Missionary and Education Committee, have been judiciously and economically expended; generally, worthy young men, many of whom have afterwards become efficient in the ministry, have been assisted by them; and their management of the trust committed to them by the Church has been such as to entitle them to entire confidence.

Respectfully submitted,

ALEX. F. DOBB.
JOHN KENDRICK.

On motion, the Bishop appointed the Rev. Messrs. Guion and Richards, and Mr. Mills, a Committee to nominate the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The Convention then, on motion, adjourned till 7 o'clock, P. M.

Saturday, 7 o'clock, P. M.

Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. The Rev. Mr. Burr from the Standing Committee on Canons, submitted the following Report:

The Committee on Canons having duly considered the several amendments referred to them, report as follows:—

In relation to the alteration proposed in Canon 8th to allow the Bishop and any deputy or deputies who may be in attendance on the General Convention, to fill vacancies in the delegation of this Diocese, the Committee are clearly of the opinion that such amendment would be in direct violation of Article 2d of the Constitution of the General Convention, which requires that Delegates to that body "*shall be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese,*" and in still more direct opposition to the 7th Article of the Constitution of our own Diocese, which requires that Delegates to the General Convention shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity. Not only so, but your Committee believe that the existing provision of Canon 8th, allowing the Standing Committee in certain cases to appoint deputies, is also an infringement of both the General and our Diocesan Constitution.

The Committee, however, think that the present intention of the Canon as well as the specific object aimed at in the proposed alteration, can be reached by amending the said Canon as follows, viz:—Strike out all after the word chosen, at the first period, and substitute the following: "The Convention shall also elect at the same time and in the same manner, four clergymen and four laymen having the qualifications above specified, to act as substitutes in the event that the first elected cannot attend: And it shall be the duty of the Deputies first elected to signify to the Bishop at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Bishop shall immediately notify as many of the substitutes, both clerical and lay, beginning with the first on the list of both orders, as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Church. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the Deputies shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee."

In relation to the proposed repeal of Sec. 4th of Canon 2d, the Committee are equally divided in opinion as to the expediency of such a measure, and they offer no recommendation in relation to it.

Your Committee are of opinion that some amendment of sections 1st and 2d of Canon 14th, is called for, in order to ensure compliance with its provisions: Only a slight alteration, however, will be necessary. The Committee propose to substitute in Sec. 1st, the words—

"*first day of March*," instead of the "*fifteenth day of April*," and in Sec. 2d, the words "*first day of September*," instead of "*fifteenth day of September*."

ERASTUS BURR,
O. T. REEVES.
E. HAMILTON.

The Rev. Mr. Winthrop proposed the following Resolution as a substitute for the plan recommended by the Committee in relation to the supply of vacancies in the Delegation to the General Convention.

Resolved, That in case of a vacancy or vacancies in the Delegation to the General Convention, the Bishop, in connexion with the Delegates in attendance on such Convention, be and are hereby empowered to supply such vacancy or vacancies.

On motion, the whole subject was postponed till the next Convention.

The amendments proposed by the Committee to Canon XIV., were, on motion, adopted.

The Committee appointed to nominate Delegates to the General Convention, made the following Report:

The Committee appointed to nominate Delegates to the General Convention, respectfully beg leave to Report, that a majority of them concur in nominating the following gentlemen:

CLERGY.—Dr. Brooke, Messrs. Smallwood, Muenscher, and Burr.
LAITY.—Col. Bond, Walter Thrall, H. L. Noble, Judge Reeves.

Signed,

A. PHELPS.
J. B. BRITTON.

On motion, the Bishop appointed Rev. Messrs. Richards and Blake and Mr. Doddridge, a Committee to nominate suitable persons for the Missionary and Education Committee and for the Sunday School Committee.

Mr. Ely asked and obtained leave to record his vote on the two Resolutions offered by Rev. Dr. Brooke. His name being called by the Secretary, he answered *Aye* to the first resolution, and *No* to the second.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Guion,

Resolved, That the reading of the Parochial Reports be dispensed with, and the Secretary be requested to have them inserted in the Western Episcopalian.

The Rev. Mr. Smallwood from the Committee on Finance. submitted the following Report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom the Treasurer's Report was referred, submit to the Convention the following Report:

The money now in hand to the credit of the Contingent Fund, is out \$148 82, and the debts due by this Fund at the present time, amount to at least \$300, being \$250 for publishing the Journals of the last two Conventions, and \$50 on account of the expenses of the delegates to the General Convention. Hence we are now in debt out \$150. To this must be added perhaps \$125 for publishing the Journal of the present Convention, making \$275 due during the present year. It is hoped that this sum may be raised by the next convention out of the assessment now made and the existing arrearages. But there is no prospect that this can be done without keeping the assessments in all material respects at their present rate.

And here the Committee must call on the parishes to make an effort towards clearing off their arrearages. It is not honorable to the church to be encumbered with debt, and it is not just to her creditors to keep them out of their dues. These things, we must say, are not becoming in a christian people. The arrears are known to be large, though from the absence of the Treasurer the precise amount cannot be ascertained: but each parish knows what its own indebtedness is, and certainly ought not to let it continue, and the Committee solemnly call upon them to pay their arrears without delay.

The Committee are happy to say that the Fund for the support of the Episcopate is in a better state. During the last year the amount due as the salary of the Bishop has been paid. But it must be borne in mind that there was a deficit on this salary at the last Convention of near \$400, and that this remains unpaid. The Committee must therefore here again solemnly call on the parishes to come up to the settlement of the existing dues. Let not the matter be postponed. Let every parish act at once and liquidate their balances without further delay. These assessments are *now* due, and ought by Christians to be paid *now*. Every principle of justice and duty calls for

The Committee hope this appeal will be answered.

In conclusion the Committee offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the assessments made at the last Convention for the Contingent Fund and the Fund for the support of the Episcopate during the year now closed, be the assessments for the year ending with the next Convention, except as follows:—Striking out St. Stephen's, East Liverpool; Christ Church, Windsor; St. James', Batavia; St. Paul's, Utica; and St. Mark's, Sydney, from which nothing can be expected, and adding Grace Church, Cleveland, with an assessment of \$20 for the Episcopate, and \$3 for the Contingent, and St. James', Kingston, and St. David's, Gallia, Co., with an assessment of \$4 for the Episcopate and \$1 for the contingent, each; and Calvary Church, Pittsfield, \$2 for Episcopate and \$1 for the Contingent, and reducing St. Philip's Church, Circleville, to an assessment of \$60 on the Episcopate and \$8 on the Contingent Fund.

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. SMALLWOOD,
Chairman.

[For an accurate statement in relation to the present condition of the Contingent or General Fund, and the Fund for the Support of the Episcopate, see the Report of the Treasurer in the Appendix to this Journal, which was handed to the Secretary after the foregoing Report of the Finance Committee had been submitted to the Convention.]

On motion of Rev. Dr. Brooke,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed on arrearages due to the Contingent and Episcopate Funds, and by correspondence with the delinquent parishes, to make such a final settlement of them by relinquishment, reduction, or otherwise, as they may deem expedient.

The Bishop appointed Rev. Messrs. Wing and Muenscher, and Ebenezer Alling, the Committee to carry into effect the above resolution.

The Rev. Mr. Elder and Mr. Wharton, appointed Tellers to count the ballots for Delegates to the General Convention, having attended to that duty, reported, that 56 ballots had been cast, and that the following persons, having received each a majority of that number, were duly elected :

CLERGY.

Rev. J. T. Brooke, D. D.,
 " Joseph Muenscher,
 " Wm. A. Smallwood,
 " Erastus Burr.

LAYTY.

William K. Bond,
 Walter Thrall,
 H. L. Noble,
 O. T. Reeves.

The Rev. Mr. Richards from the Committee appointed to nominate the Standing Committee of the Diocese, reported the following names :

Rev. J. Muenscher,
 " M. T. C. Wing,
 " Sherlock A. Bronson,

M. W. Stamp,
 H. L. Thrall,
 C. Delano.

The ballot for Standing Committee was, on motion, dispensed with, and the nomination of the Committee was confirmed.

The Committee appointed to nominate the Missionary and Education Committee, and the Sunday School Committee, reported the following names : whereupon, ballot being dispensed with, the nomination of the Committee was confirmed.

MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

Rev. M. T. C. Wing,
 " S. A. Bronson,
 " N. Badger,
 " J. Sandels.

E. Alling,
 M. W. Stamp,
 H. L. Thrall,
 M. White

SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

Rev. A. Guion,

" A. F. Dobb,

" G. D. Gillespie,

R. Wharton,

I. N. Whiting,

C. Howard.

The Resolution designating the place of meeting of the next annual Convention was, on motion, taken up from the table, and the amendment offered by Rev. Mr. Killin, being accepted by the mover of the resolution as a substitute for his own; the question was then taken on the Resolution as amended, and it was adopted. So it was determined that the next meeting of the Convention shall be held in St. Peter's Church, Delaware.

On motion, it was Resolved that the time of holding the next Convention shall be the Thursday immediately succeeding the Annual Commencement of Kenyon College.

The Document from the Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary was, on motion, taken up from the table, and the alteration therein recommended in the Constitution of the Seminary, having received the approbation of the Bishop, was concurred in by the Convention.

The Report of the Committee on the publication of the Journal was on motion, taken up and adopted.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be, and they are hereby, affectionately tendered to the congregation of Christ Church, and to the citizens of Cincinnati, generally, for their christian hospitality and kindness to the members of this Convention at its present session.

Mr. Bayless then offered for the adoption of the Convention, a paper containing a preamble and sundry resolutions, which, on motion of Rev. Dr. Brooke, he had leave to withdraw.

The Convention proceeded to the election of a Treasurer, when, balloting being, on motion, dispensed with, Henry B. Curtis, Esq., having been nominated, was unanimously re-elected.

On motion, it was Resolved that 750 copies of the Journal be published under the direction of the Secretary, within two months of the present time.

The Convention, after singing and prayer, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

Attest,

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary*.

A P P E N D I X .

ASHTABULA COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ASHTABULA.

REV. JOHN HALL, RECTOR,

Reports to the Bishop—Families 47, containing baptized persons 1247, of whom 50 are males of 21 years and upwards, and 75 females of 18 years and upwards—125 adults in all. Baptisms, 1 adult and 3 children—4. Communicants, removed out of the diocese 12, died 1, received, from abroad 1, admitted new 2, restored, after having stood repelled 12 years 1, present number 121. Marriages 3. Deaths, 1 adult and 1 child—2

On Sundays and other holy days, and on several other occasions, during 44 weeks, he has performed divine service 137 times, and delivered 120 sermons and lectures, administered the Holy Communion 44 times to the whole, and once to the sick, catechized the children publicly on holy days, and privately, in several instances, at their houses, visited families and the sick with prayers and Christian consolations, as extensively as he could consistently with a poor state of health.

For five weeks his labors have been interrupted by severe lameness and sickness, in consequence of which he is still infirm.

By contributions at the offertory, and other voluntary contributions, the minister is comfortably supplied with the means of subsistence for himself and family. The contributions are made with tokens of hearty good-will, and received to full satisfaction.

The Female Association apply the avails of their industry to keeping the church and its furniture in repair, and to benevolent appropriations. All other objects required by Canon or otherwise to be promoted by pecuniary means, are duly attended to by the minister and vestry. We hope to have our proportion of the Bishop's salary and of the contingent expenses of the Convention more punctually paid hereafter, than they have been for the last two years.

TRINITY PARISH, JEFFERSON,

Baptisms, 1 infant. Funerals, 3. Communicants, added 1, died 1, present number 8. Sunday School Scholars 12, Teachers 4. Clerical services on the part of Rev. A. McLeod, Rev. J. Hall, Rev. J. Sunderland, and Rev. J. L. Bryan, about one half the year past, and lay-reading the remainder. The amount assessed for Episcopate and Contingencies of the Diocese for 1845, herewith, \$6.

We meet in a private house. Our scattered brethren in like destitution, may take encouragement.

A. C. HUBBARD, Senior Warden.

REV. J. L. BRYAN, MISSIONARY.

J. L. Bryan reports to the Bishop that he has during the past year endeavored to do what he could in preaching the everlasting Gospel to lost and perishing sinners, but with what success must be left to the decision of that day when the Judge of quick and dead shall decide the eternal destinies of men. The cardinal doctrine of justification by faith, without the deeds of the law, has formed the chief theme of his discourses, because both the Bible and the Church declare this to be a vital doctrine without which no man can be saved: because this is the only root from which can grow that good fruit which is the evidence of the tree being alive and good.

Your missionary will now state that he has preached at the following places during the past year, viz :—Rome, Hartsgrove, Jefferson, Batavia and Windsor. At Rome, since April, he has officiated every fourth Sunday. The Church here still holds her own without much increase on account of the small number of those out of her pale attending her solemn services. An effort is now making by the members of this parish, to have their church painted without and finished within, with a view to its consecration at the next visit of their Bishop.

Hartsgrove has occupied his time once in four weeks since April. Here the attendance is pretty good, and for several Sundays past an unusual degree of solemnity has been manifest, owing to several deaths as well as to much sickness in the parish. The minister has endeavored to improve these divine visitations to the good of their undying souls.—May the Lord succeed his feeble efforts. Two Sundays have been given to Jefferson: more would have been rendered had they not had the services of Rev. Mr. Sunderland prior to his lamented death. This parish has lately sustained a great loss by the removing of one of its main pillars, Mr. Samuel Wright, a man of sterling worth and of true piety: he rests from his labors, and his works will follow him. At Batavia your minister has preached two Sundays. The few remaining Episcopalians seem glad to see and hear him. The church is closed except when opened for preaching, the lay-reader being absent most of the summer and during the winter, it is not thought worth while to attempt it, as so few attend then. At Windsor, the place of his residence, he has no parochial charge, but he has preached there during the winter months every other Sunday, not in the church, however, but in a school-house near his own dwelling; besides this, he attends the funerals of Episcopalians and their families, as well as the calls of others out of the Church. In Windsor, 2 adults and 3 infants Buried the past year, and 3 Marriages solemnized. At Hartsgrove, Burials, 2 adults; number of Communicants not known. At Rome, Communicants 15; Marriage 1; contributed \$2 to fund of Episcopate, and \$1 to Contingent expenses—\$3.

CUYAHOGA COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, CLEVELAND.

REV. RICHARD BURY, RECTOR.

The following is the parochial report for Trinity Church, Cleveland, since the last Convention :—Baptisms, adults 5, infants 23,—total 28. Communicants added, (9 communing for the first time, 15 received from other parishes,) 24: lost by deaths, removals, &c. 29: present number about 160 Marriages 10. Funerals 19. Sunday School Scholars 150, average attendance from 80 to 90: male and female superintendents, 1 each, with 23 Teachers. Contributions to Missionary and Education Society \$33 50: to Domestic Committee of General Society about \$72. support of the Episcopate (one half in advance for the present year, the other being the balance due this Convention,) \$100: to Contingent Fund \$23. Communion alms for the poor (\$144 04. From Sunday School Scholars, by weekly collection, to educate a child in Africa \$20: also from them for other benevolent

purposes \$19. By the Parish for Sunday school Library about \$35. Besides the stated and occasional services in my own parish, I have officiated elsewhere a number of times on week days, and once or twice on Sunday.

As heretofore, while there is much to encourage, in a religious point of view, with many causes of thankfulness to the Divine Head of the Church for his unceasing mercies, there is also, more or less, a want of conformity to His spirit and example, and consequent need of self humiliation and amendment.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OHIO CITY.

REV. WILLIAM M. BURTON, RECTOR.

The Parochial Report of St. John's Church, Ohio City, is as follows:—Baptisms, infants 7. Communicants, added by profession 1, by removal into this parish 3; lost, by removal 1, by death 1: present number 82. Marriages 4. Funerals 4. Communion Offerings \$28 34. Domestic Missions \$11. Diocesan Missions \$7. Episcopate Fund \$20. Contingent Fund \$5.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EUCLID.

This parish is small. We number only 14 Communicants; and as our beloved Bishop has not visited this section of the Diocese since the last Convention, we therefore have had no addition to the number of communicants. We have been steady and uniform in our lay services of the Church, and occasionally we have been visited by our brethren in the ministry, who have held services with us, viz: the Rev. Mr. Bury, Burton, Sunderland, McLeod, Stout and Granville, for which we tender them our thanks.

We commenced the first day of September to erect a neat little Church, size 30 by 40, to be built of stone. By the blessing of a kind Providence, we hope to have it completed and paid for, by the first of March next. Our Sabbath School connected with this parish, numbers the same as reported last Convention. Baptisms 1.

L. L. ADAMS, Clerk.

CLARK COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

REV. A. T. MCMURPHY, RECTOR.

Communicants, added 7, removed 2, died 1, present number 35. Baptisms, adults 1, infants 5. Confirmations 5. Marriage 1. Funerals 3. Amount collected for institutions of the Church, \$69 86, to wit:—For the Support of the Episcopate \$20, Diocesan Contingent Fund \$4, Sunday School Library \$17, Foreign Missions \$5 72, Domestic Missions \$3 12, Diocesan Missions \$19 02. Sunday School Scholars 60, average attendants 45, Teachers including Superintendent 12. Sunday School Offerings since September, 1844, \$26 42.

Our neat Church edifice was consecrated to the service of Almighty God on the 28th of November last, and I may here add, that, by the liberality of some, and the kind assurances of other friends (whose names and residences need not be stated but for whose testimony of Christian love and fellowship we hope we shall ever feel grateful) our Church debt has been placed in a train of entire liquidation.

DELAWARE COUNTY.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, DELAWARE.

REV. E. E. CANFIELD, RECTOR.

Communicants 79. Funerals 2. Removals 2. Marriages 3. Confirmed 11. Sunday School Scholars 142, Teachers 22; Number of public services 128. Contributions: so

the Contingent Fund of the Diocese \$29, for the Support of the Episcopate \$65, for Sunday School purposes \$26 46; for various benevolent purposes by the Ladies Sewing Circle, \$83, the amount contributed by the Ladies' Missionary Association is not known; for the erection of a very superior Church Edifice above \$8000. A part of the contribution for the last mentioned object was made before the rector entered upon his duties in November last. The parish had been suffering much during nearly two years, from the want of a minister. In the ten months which have elapsed since the rector came to the parish (one of which was spent at the East) and under the peculiar circumstances in which it was placed, he has not been able to collect a sum requisite both for paying its annual assessment, and settling the entire amount of arrearages which had been accumulating against it for years. A glance at the amount contributed by this small congregation, will show that the deficiency which still exists is not owing to their *present unwillingness to give*. The services have been numerous and punctually attended, and all have lived "in the bond of peace," with the appearance at least of "unity of spirit." In view of the past, and in prospect of the future, the rector has every reason to "*thank God and take courage*."

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WORTHINGTON, AND GRACE CHURCH, BERKSHIRE,
REV. E. S. ELDER, RECTOR.

Both of these Parishes, though amongst the oldest in the Diocese, nevertheless are very feeble. The former has suffered very much from removals. The number of Communicants at present 33, added the past year 1. Confirmed 2. Baptisms, infants 2. Sunday Scholars 60, Teachers 8. Bible Class from 15 to 25. This parish will soon have completed a Parsonage which will be of great importance towards inducing a clergyman to remain amongst them.

Grace Church, Berkshire, 14 miles north-east, where the rector spends half of his time, numbers at present 30 Communicants. Confirmed 1. This parish has raised for the Episcopate Fund \$13 03. St. John's, for Episcopate Fund \$15 03.

ERIE COUNTY.

GRACE CHURCH, SANDUSKY CITY.

REV. L. N. FREEMAN,

Resigned the charge of St. Paul's Church, Akron, on the 1st of October, and entered on the rectorship of Grace Church, Sandusky City, on the last Sunday in November. There were in connection with the parish, at that time, fifty-six Communicants. The statistics of the parish at present, are as follows:—Baptisms, adults 6, infants 9,—total 15. Communicants, received 13, died 1, removed 6, present number 65. Burials 2. Marriages 5. Scholars in Sunday School 60, Teachers 12. Collected for Sunday School Library \$31, for the Episcopate Fund \$30, for Convention Fund \$5, for Domestic Missions \$20, for Diocesan Missions \$70 62, Communion Alms \$29 50, for educating a Beneficiary \$20,—total \$254 12. No collections except at communion, have been made in the church. The system of weekly offerings, deposited in the vestibule of the church, is that on which the parish relies for contributions to Diocesan and Domestic Missions, and it has resulted in the last ten months, in the sum of \$30 62. The amount contributed for the Education Committee was contributed by the Ladies of the parish. The rector finds in his parishioners a warm-hearted, zealous and united people to sustain him in his efforts to advance the interests of the Redeemer's kingdom. Missionary services have been performed at Milan where there is a fair prospect of establishing a respectable parish.

CHRIST CHURCH, HURON.

REV. S. MARKS, RECTOR.

The unsettled and fluctuating state of my parish, prevents me from shewing any material increase to our numbers. Considering the amount of population, I have no reason to

complain of my share of hearers. Would that they were more, and that I had better skill to instruct them, and lead them to Christ. I continue my practice of preaching to the children, under the full persuasion that good must be the result. As for the catechism, that is a matter of course—the frequency of the times, has enabled the children to repeat it with ease.

The statistics: Baptisms 10. Communicants 26. Marriages, 9 couples. Funerals 16. The Sunday School has become reduced—say, 30 children, Teachers 8. Money Collected, \$14 for the Episcopate, \$4 for Missionary Society. The number of communicants would warrant the assessment of this Church at \$14, but the pastor begs an abatement. His love for the Bishop would ask for more, but justice to the flock, for less.

Feeble as the Church has become by emigration, the Rector still holds it up to the Bishop as an important station on the sea-board. Huron is to rise, and become a place of consequence. The Church here, has, under God, exercised a wholesome influence. "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

FRANKLIN COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBUS.

REV. ALEXANDER F. DOBB, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 22, adults 2—total 24. Marriages 7. Funerals 14. Confirmed in Columbus 25, in the country 1—total 26. Communicants added, new 17, from other churches 13, dropped from the list 7, (several of these were on the record when the present minister first took charge, but he has never been able to find them,) deceased 2, removed 9—present number about 135. Several who were confirmed have not yet communed. Sunday Scholars, white 220, colored 128,—total 348; Teachers for the whole 42, several of whom give instruction in both departments. Bible Class, average attendance about 50.—Contributions to Missions \$167 75, to Sunday Schools \$74 56, to Bexley Hall \$51. to sufferers by Pittsburgh fire \$152, to other benevolent objects \$39, to Episcopate and Contingent Funds \$115 50,—total \$599 81. There have been other individual contributions of which there is no specific account. On the whole the retrospect of the past year is not discouraging; peace prevails in all our borders; the Spirit of grace has often been felt to be present with us: and if any good has been done, we desire to ascribe to God, even our own God, the praise.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, COLUMBUS.

REV. H. L. RICHARDS, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 10, adults 3,—13. Confirmations 25. Marriages 3. Burials 5. Communicants, last year 40, added 30, (4 from other denominations,) removed 4, died 2, excluded 1,—63. Funds:—Communion Offerings \$36 18, General Missions \$21 75, Episcopate \$20, Contingent \$5, Monthly Offerings since December \$63. Ladies' Fair, sale \$230—total \$374 93. Sunday School Scholars 60, Teachers 12. A Bible Class has been commenced with a fair prospect of success and usefulness.

The Rector of St. Paul's has the pleasure of saying that the upper room of the church has at length been completed, and he hopes it will soon be consecrated as a *free church* to the worship of Almighty God. Service has been sustained during the year in his suburban station, where considerable interest has been manifested in the Church as well as in personal religion. Eleven of the persons reported above in the list of confirmation were confirmed in this congregation. He believes there is a favorable opening for the Church, and hopes that good will be done.

HAMILTON COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. J. T. BROOKE, D. D., RECTOR.

The Rector reports of Baptisms, adult 1, infant 18,—total 19. Marriages 6. Confirmations 11. New Communicants added 11, added on certificate 3, present number of Communicants 170. Average monthly Contributions \$40. Benevolent Contributions in other modes for the erection of churches and other religious objects, about \$1000.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 12. Confirmed 4. Communicants (admitted 2, received 6,) total added 8, died 3, removed 1, present number 154. Marriages 2. Burials 5 (1 out of the parish.) Public Services on Sundays 55, on other days 24,—total number of Services 78. Children Catechized 5 times by the rector. Sunday School Teachers, (male 6, female 11)—total 17; Pupils, (male 45, female 75,)—total 120: average attendance 75. Communion administered, publicly 7 times, in private 2.

The monthly Collections have been made and appropriated as follows.—For Foreign Missions \$29 55. Domestic \$27 55, Diocesan \$34 74, Diocesan Education \$20 36, Contingent Fund of the Diocese \$25, Sunday School of the parish \$27 20, Trinity Church, Cincinnati, \$2, the Jews \$4, Missions among Slaves \$11,—\$181 40. The following sums have also been collected, viz:—Income of the Offertory \$177 43, Collected in the Sunday School for Foreign and Domestic Missions \$21 94, to pay the assessment for the Support of the Episcopate \$128, for Grace Church, Cincinnati, \$106, for St. James' Church, Wooster \$42, for the Church at Bowling Green, Kentucky \$20, for the sufferers by the Pittsburgh fire \$51 50, from a Parishioner for the Jews \$10, from a Parishioner for the Sunday School Library \$20, for the Rt. Rev. N. H. Cobbs, D. D. \$100,—\$858 27.

Remarks:—The proceeds of the Ladies' Fair for the present year amounted to \$152.

The above report dates from the period when the present rector took charge of the parish, February 20th, 1845, except that the contributions of the parish for the whole year, so far as ascertained, are reported.

The children of the parish are catechized by the Rector the last Sunday in every month in the church. Beaven's "Help to Catechizing," and Catechism No. 2, are the text books. The rector meets the teachers weekly for the study of the Scripture lesson. A Bible Class for young persons meets every Sunday afternoon and is taught by a member of the vestry. During the vacancy of the rectorship, important services were rendered by the Rev. Messrs. Leunsbery and Chapman.

GRACE CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

REV. R. S. KILLEN, RECTOR.

I commenced my duties as Rector of this Parish on the 16th of Oct. 1844. *It was in full view of very great difficulties that I assumed the charge.* Every thing was unusually discouraging in the commencement, leaving me for several months with scarcely a ray of hope. A combination of adverse circumstances, the growth of several years, threatened the entire and speedy extinction of the Parish. The field before me was vast, and those positively destitute many, and the only one to whom I could look with any hope was the Lord, the blessed Master of the Vineyard. To Him I did look, and I trust it was in his strength I made, what I intended it to be, the last effort. It proved successful beyond all my expectations. And were one or two self-denying men to step forward to my help, the enterprize would not *barcly* succeed, but it must then expand into a large and influential

church—a blessed place for the training of many for the inheritance of the saints in light. To prove this, let it be stated distinctly that in spite of the difficulties growing out of a heavy pressure of debt, and a strange and general indifference to the extension of the church—the present congregation is five times larger than when I commenced my labors, and the number of communicants considerably more than doubled. Nor should this increase be mentioned without leading all concerned to deep humiliation, when it is remembered that this Parish is situated in a city whose population is at present reckoned as 90 thousand !

The statistics are as follows :—Of the registered communicants I could find only 21—of these two have withdrawn, 3 removed, leaving 15. To these I added 29—making the present number 44. Baptisms 4 infants, 1 adult—5. Marriages 8. Funerals 10. Sunday school scholars 115. Teachers 9, Confirmed 3. Amount raised towards the reduction of the debt in notes and cash \$2001 15. Of which sum nearly fifteen hundred dollars was in cash. It is proper to state that one hundred pounds sterling of the above amount was in answer to an appeal from the Rector to Edwin Gower, Esq., of London England.

TRINITY CHURCH, CINCINNATI.

The Church edifice has not been complete as soon as was expected at the last report, for want of funds and other unforeseen causes.

We are now progressing with the building very well, and hope, the Lord willing, to have it finished by the first of October next. It will be a neat substantial edifice, and will seat 350 persons. When finished it will be free from debt. The Rev. Alfred Blake has taken charge of the parish. Our Sunday School is steadily increasing: We have a Superintendent, 8 Teachers, and 56 Scholars.

WM. S. DRUMMOND, Senior Warden.

REV. CHAUNCEY COLTON. D. D.

In the discharge of strictly ministerial duties, I have officiated and preached thirty-four times—in Trinity Church, Covington, and St. Paul's Church, Newport, Ky. I have also solemnized two marriages, one in Cincinnati, and one in Newport, Ky.

As Rector of the Cincinnati Classical Academy, I have been uninterruptedly engaged in educational duties, during the year, with the exception of the Christmas holidays, and the summer vacation. This Institution was chartered during the last session of the State Legislature, and now numbers between sixty and seventy students.

GALLIA COUNTY.

ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, CENTERVILLE.

REV. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, RECTOR.

Rev. Abraham Edwards, missionary among the Welch, reports to the Bishop, that since last Convention he has officiated regularly in St. David's Church, Centerville, and many other places in the settlement, more especially among his own countrymen. During the last year the congregation has been rather larger than heretofore and very attentive to the preached word.

The statistics of this parish are as follows ;—Baptisms, infants 10. 5 have been added to the Communion, 1 died, 1 withdrawn, present number 80. Marriages 3. Burials 3. Sunday School Scholars 110, Teachers 15.

HURON COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, NORWALK.

REV. S. HUGH, RECTOR.

I received a call to the rectorship of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk, on the 1st of October last, and entered upon my duties about the 20th of that month. The number of Communicants on the register at that time was about 80. Of these I found about 70 whom I could regard as within the limits of the parish. To these there have been added by removal 4, by profession 5, from another denomination 1—10. There have been lost by removal 7, by death 3, 'present number 70. Baptisms, adults 4, infants 6,—10; besides 5 children baptized beyond the limits of my parish. Burials, adults 5, children 5,—10. Marriages 2. The average attendance on divine service is about 130. We have a Sunday School and Bible Class, both of which, I hope, are doing some good. My parishioners have been invariably kind and affectionately attentive to my temporal welfare, and I have the happiness of believing that the general prospects of the parish are decidedly favorable.

TRINITY CHURCH, LYME.

REV. EPHRAIM FUNDERSOHN, RECTOR.

The following embraces the statistics of my charge for the year which is past:—Baptisms, infants 1. Marriage 1. Funerals, infants 2. Communicants, residing in Bellevue, added 2, by removal 5, lost 1, restored 1, present number 26. Sunday School Scholars 30, Teachers 4. Collected for the Episcopate \$9 25. Offerings at Communion \$14 65.

JEFFERSON COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STEUBENVILLE.

REV. INTREPID MORSE, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 8, (of which 4 were colored,) adults 4,—12. Communicants, removed 8, added 9,—116. Marriages 5. Funerals (of which 2 colored) 9. Sunday School Teachers 10, Scholars 60. Contributions to Diocesan Missions \$20, by the Ladies towards furnishing rooms in Bexley Hall \$53, Bishop's Salary \$50, General Domestic Missions \$46 31, Foreign Missions \$8 50, Education of a heathen child in China \$25, Sunday School Books \$3, Bible distribution 10,—making \$221 81; add to which Ministerial Salary, say \$400, and repairs of church now in progress; about \$50,—total \$671 81.

The church has been closed on account of the Rector's illness twice on Sundays, and once on the evening of the weekly lecture. Children catechized duly on Sunday afternoons. Officiated in other places ten times, and baptized in St. John's parish, Brooke Co. Va., two adults and 1 infant. May the Lord of the harvest soon send forth more laborers into this portion of his vineyard.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, CROSS CREEK.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, RECTOR.

Address Smithfield P. O., Jefferson County.

The condition of this parish appears nearly stationary. I have continued the regular services each alternate Lord's day during the past year, also my week day services through the distant parts of the parish. We have a Sunday School, that will prove, I hope, a nursery to the Church. I preach also in the winter, each fourth Sunday at Portland, fourteen miles from the Church, where seven of our communicants reside. Marriage 1. Baptism

infants 4. Funerals 3. Confirmed 9. Communicants, added 3, died 3, withdrawn 1, removed 3, total 74. Contributed towards the Episcopate \$20, Assessment \$5, Diocesan Missions \$15,—total \$40.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. CLAIRSVILLE, BELMONT CO.

REV. RICHARD GRAY, MINISTER.

I preach in this Church each alternate Sunday, except during the winter months. Also every four weeks in the country, three miles south of St. Clairsville, on the week day.—My congregation has been much larger this summer than formerly: I have delivered here and at Cross Creek, six lectures on the evidences of Christianity; they have been very well received. I preached lately at Morristown, ten miles west of St. Clairsville. We have in this village, a church, and a few families still attached to our communion. I hope to be able to rally them. Marriages 2. Baptisms, infant 9. Funerals 2. Communicants, added 4, died 1, total 22. Contributed to the Episcopate \$5, Assessment \$1, Diocesan Missions \$8 54.

ST. ALBAN'S, DEERSVILLE, HARRISON CO.

REV. RICHARD GRAY.

I resigned this parish a few months ago to the Rev. Abraham Wheeler. I formed this congregation eight years ago, and twice since then, have taken charge of it again, after it was left by its pastors. In both cases, it appeared hopelessly destroyed. I have had much cause for thankfulness in the spiritual improvement of its members. Communicants 18. Contributed to Diocesan Missions \$7 61.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.

REV. A. WHEELER, RECTOR, AND MISSIONARY.

Baptisms, adult 1, infant 4,—5. Funerals 4. Marriages 5. Communicants, died 1, added 1, total 36. Sabbath School Scholars 40, Teachers 8. Paid present Assessment and arrearages \$20, for Domestic Missions for St. John's Church \$7 56, do. do. for St. Alban's, Deersville, \$4 60,—\$32 16.

The Rector has officiated regularly half the time in Springfield; the other half in Carroll county, Jefferson counties, N. W. part, and Harrison county at Deersville. In Carroll county prospects are not encouraging at present. In Jefferson county they are somewhat more encouraging. In Harrison county, Deersville, present appearances are encouraging. August 30th, I presided at a meeting of the congregation at St. Alban's, Deersville, and was requested to become its rector. I am told by the friends of the Church, that the appearance of the congregation was never more promising. I have since commenced to preach at Deersville one fourth of my time for six months. As no parish record has been kept as yet, I am unable to state definitely the number of communicants. I have administered the Lord's Supper once to about twenty.

KNOX COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MT. VERNON,

REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, RECTOR.

Baptisms, infants 7. Marriages 4. Burials 4. Communicants, added 4, suspended 2, dismissed 1, removed 5, present number 119. Sunday School Scholars about 50. Contributions:—For Diocesan Missions \$11 25, for Foreign Missions \$14 85, for the Support of the Episcopate \$, for the Contingent Fund of the Diocese \$16.

HARCOURT PARISH, GAMBIER.

This parish being for the present without a rector (our rector having resigned in March last) the statistics will in some facts probably be deficient. The following is believed to be very nearly correct:—Baptisms 9. Funerals 8, Removed from the parish 10, Present number of Communicants (exclusive of students in Kenyon College and Theological Seminary) 57. Contributions:—To Missions and Education \$121 88, Diocesan Expenses \$6. Sunday School Library about \$15, to Support of Episcopate \$31. The number of Sunday School Scholars enrolled about 100: average attendance 75, Teachers 14,

A. G. SCOTT, Sec'y. of the Vestry.

REV. A. BLAKE

Reports that in addition to his duties as Associate Principal of Milnor Hall, he has officiated in St. Matthew's, Perry, previous to February, once in four weeks and in Morgan Tp, once in two weeks. He has also preached several times in Granville and other places besides preaching in his turn in Rosse Chapel, Gambier. It is his intention to resign his connection with Milnor Hall, and accept a call to the station of City Missionary in Cincinnati.

REV. J. SANDELS

Reports that his time has been chiefly occupied with his duties in Kenyon College. Besides preaching in turn in Rosse Chapel, he has preached occasionally in Mt. Vernon, Perry, Granville, and in country places about Gambier. He has Baptized one infant and 1 adult and officiated at 5 Funerals.

LAKE COUNTY.**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PAINESVILLE.**

REV. CHARLES B. STOUT, RECTOR.

Families, about the same as last report. Congregation, do. Individuals in town and country about 200. Baptisms, adults 2, children 8,—total 10. Communicants, added 8, restored by returning to Communion 1,—total 9; removed 5, suspended 1, stricken from the list for non-attendance 2,—total 8; present number 85. Communion administered 13 times. Children under Sunday School and Catechetical instruction 50; Teachers in Sunday School 9, Burials in the parish 5, and 4 others,—total 9. Marriages 3. Candidates for Confirmation several. Contributions:—Received at Communion \$57 98, at Monthly Offerings \$46 10,—total \$114 08: of which sum there has been appropriated for Diocesan Missions and Education \$18, Domestic Missions \$16,—total \$34; Sunday School purposes \$22; Incidental Expenses and Alms \$32 08; Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts \$6; Conventional Assessments \$20.

In addition to the above, there has been raised in the parish, principally through the efforts of the Ladies, for painting and repairing the Church, purchase of lamps, &c., about \$160. There has been paid to the Agent for Kenyon College, \$140. Total amount paid during the year for Church objects over \$400.

Public services on Sundays and holy days in the church 105, extra services within the parish bounds 20,—total 125. Besides the above the Rector has held services at Cleveland 3 times, Ohio City 3 times, in exchange: Cuyahoga Falls at convocation 2, Euclid 2, Fair Port 1, Warren at convocation 3, Newton Falls 1, Parkman 1, Russel 1, Chardon 1, Unionville 2,—total 20.

The Church in Painesville has been closed two Sundays in consequence of painting, besides which there has been no interruption of our regular services. A praiseworthy zeal

has been manifested among our Church people to promote the interests of the parish, as is evidenced by the amount of their contributions; and while they have been thus engaged in furthering the temporal prosperity of the Church, it is hoped her spiritual welfare is not forgotten. It is believed she is gradually extending her influence in the country around, and within a few months past frequent inquiries have been made for the "old paths." The usual peace and harmony pervades the parish, and we are but little disturbed by "novelties." The subject of Missions would have received more attention, but for the necessary repairs drawing so heavily on the parish. In conclusion, the Rector would record his gratitude to God, for the enjoyment of uninterrupted health, and the measure of success attending his ministrations.

LICKING COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK.

REV. GEORGE DENISON, RECTOR.

This Parish has continued in a happy and united condition during the past year. It has suffered in its pecuniary interests, indeed, in common with many other of the Ohio Churches, from the partial failure of our usually abundant harvest (a gratuity we had so long enjoyed we had begun to count it a right) while at the same time it has had to sustain a peculiar trial in the embarrassment, more or less severe, of perhaps every individual member of the congregation, occasioned by the unexpected failure of the Bank situated in the same town. Still the parish has done something. An organ of very great power and excellent tone has been purchased, and the payment therefor secured without charge to the Vestry. The gallery of the church has also been enlarged and rendered much more commodious. \$8 50 has been sent to the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and \$34 75 cts. to the Episcopate Fund: while the necessities of the rector's family, arising from the failure (in some cases doubtless from inability) of many to fulfil their pecuniary obligations to the Vestry, have been very amply supplied by the assiduous kindness of the parish generally and by the special watchfulness of several families in particular. The Lord remember them when he cometh in his kingdom!

Parish Record:—Burials 7. Baptisms, infants 3. Marriages 8. Confirmed 4. Communicants, added by profession 5, by record 4,—9: removed 5, increase 4, present number on record 97.

LORAIN COUNTY.

REV. L. L. HOLDEN, MISSIONARY,

Reports that his time has been divided between Grafton, Pittsfield and Penfield, preaching in the former place one half of the time, and in the latter one-fourth each. He has also preached on convocational occasions at Elyria, Medina, Cuyahoga Falls, and Lower Sandusky. He has also performed occasional services at the following places:—Litchfield, Liverpool, Camden, Wakeman, Mouth of Black River, and Norwalk.

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, GRAPTON.

The prospects of this parish are more encouraging from the fact that the church debt is now nearly paid. Services have been well attended, and though we have had no addition the past year, we cannot but hope that in due time God will give the increase. Collections for Missionary and Educational purposes \$12 23, Bishop's Salary and Contingent Fund \$8, Sunday School Library \$3 41. Baptisms, infants 3. Marriage 1. Communicants, diminished by removal 1, suspended 1, present number 38.

CALVARY CHURCH, PITTSFIELD.

REV. L. L. HOLDEN.

Baptisms, infants 3. Marriage 1. Candidates for Confirmation 1. Communicants last year 11, removed 4, present number 7.

CHRIST CHURCH, PENFIELD.

Communicants 8. Candidates for Confirmation 4, and perhaps more. Missionary Collections \$5 01. Prospects in the parish encouraging. The Congregational Society have kindly offered us their house of worship which we occupy once in four weeks. The general congregations large and attentive, and the prejudices against the Church wearing away as fast as could be expected.

LUCAS COUNTY.

TRINITY CHURCH, TOLEDO.

REV. D. J. BERGER, RECTOR,

Took charge of this parish on the 24th day of February last, and therefore the following statistics will embrace a period of six months only;—Families about 30. Individuals exclusive of families 17. Communicants, added 5, removed 6, died 1, present number 21. Baptisms, adult 1, infant 3,—total 4. Marriages 3. Burials 3. Sunday School Scholars about 40, Teachers 6. During the time I have had charge, the Sunday Scholars have been catechized by me, once every month. Col. Lounsbury renders most efficient service as Superintendent of the school. A School Library has been purchased.

During the past year this congregation has erected a very neat church edifice, furnished it throughout, and paid for it. An organ has been set up in the church: The rector has received every encouragement which it is in the power of a people to impart: The Ladies deserve all praise for their zeal and perseverance:

REV. W. J. BAKEWELL, RECTOR.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 5, 1845.

I took charge of the parish of Trinity Church, Toledo, on the first Sunday in January, and officiated three Sundays, morning and afternoon, before an audience in number, appearance, and demeanor, highly encouraging to a minister. The Christian zeal manifested in the erection of the neat and commodious church, and the attendance on the services, together with the friendly feelings exhibited towards the pastor, convinced me that a faithful minister would labor with eminent success in this vineyard of the Lord. Prudential considerations, however, induced me to relinquish my important charge, and the congregation very kindly appreciating my motives, released me from my engagement. It was with great regret that I bade farewell to this interesting society. During my residence I Baptized three children.

Since I left Toledo, I have occasionally officiated for the Episcopal clergymen of Pittsburgh, Pa., and have read service and preached in the neighborhood several times. I have preached in Pittsburgh on Sundays 12 times, and read the service 14; on other days I have preached and read the service 8 times. In the neighborhood of Pittsburgh I have preached 12 times and read service 16 times, I have preached 10 times in Philadelphia. On three occasions I have assisted at the Communion. I have Baptized 1 child, and Buried 1 adult.

MEDINA COUNTY.**CHRIST CHURCH, LIVERPOOL.**

REV. J. MAYO, RECTOR.

The feeble state of my health has prevented me from performing more than one service on the Sunday during the year. I have been unable to collect any funds for any purpose in consequence of the distress of the people, which has arisen from the almost total failure of every kind of agricultural produce.

One Episcopal family has removed to another state, and two Communicants have seceded from our community. Present number of Communicants 17. I have Baptized 4 individuals, 1 adult and 3 infants.

MIAMI COUNTY.**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PIQUA,**

REV. HENRY PAYNE, RECTOR.

As rector of this Church, I report to you my labors during the past year. A short time before the last Convention of this Diocese I took charge of said parish, and have continued to labor therein regularly during the year. Number of Communicants on parish register when I took charge 92, of these there had withdrawn from communion before I went to the parish 6, died 2, removed 4, left to unite with her husband among Presbyterians 1,—79. added 6, present number 85. The number of Baptisms is, adults 1, infants 12,—total 13. Confirmed 16. I have solemnized 1 Marriage, and performed service at 6 Funerals.

Moneys contributed for purposes out of the parish :—Bishop's Salary \$50, Bible Society, \$30, Domestic Missionary Society \$37 88, State Missionary Society \$53, to supply 5 Mission Stations with copies of the Holy Scriptures \$25, Sacramental collections \$32,—\$227. Some \$2200 have been subscribed also, for building a new church; the subscription list is yet incomplete. In addition to my labors at St. James', I have preached once a month at St. James' Chapel, 7 miles distant; and during the summer at Lockport, 5 miles distant, where we have commenced a Sunday school, for which we have provided a small library (part purchased and part given) from the American Sunday School Union.

TRINITY CHURCH, TROY, AND ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, GREENVILLE.

REV. DAVID W. TOLFORD, RECTOR.

St. Paul's Church, Greenville Dark Co. :—The Church in Greenville, has prospered.—When I took charge of this Church, I found it in a very depressed condition, properly to be numbered among the *decaying* churches—its friends discouraged—the Church edifice standing unfinished—the communion but five, and they had not had preaching for a year. So desperate did the prospect of the Church appear, that it had been proposed to its friends to sell their unfinished edifice for a school house. My first effort was to finish the church, and through the liberality of friends in Piqua, Troy, Dayton and Cincinnati, together with what was given at home, I was enabled to put the church under contract, and it is now finished and consecrated. The prospects of this parish are now every way encouraging. The congregations are good—the communion, though small, has been more than doubled, and what is well in these times, the Church will be out of debt. Baptisms, adults 1, children 3,—4. Confirmations 6. Communicants when I took charge 5, added 7—present number 12.

Trinity Church, Troy :—Baptisms, adult 2, children 1,—3. Confirmations 6, Communicants, resident when I took charge 21, added 3, suspended 4, present number 19. Marriage 1. Burials 1.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

CHRIST CHURCH, DAYTON.

REV. W. W. ARNETT, RECTOR,

At he assumed the charge of Christ Church, Dayton, and entered upon his duty on the first Sunday of January last, since which time he has regularly officiated in the parish. Sixty-three Communicants were reported to the last Convention—added 5, withdrawn 1. Confirmed 10. Baptisms, Infant 14. Marriages 2;

REV. JOHN FOSTER,

Report that my last year has been divided between three different fields of labor, which has produced much of a harvest. My main business has been, the teaching of a Classical and Mathematical School. My Sundays have been divided between officiating at the Church in Dayton, and conducting service there and in Mad River Township. The number of times I have held service and preached for the past year.

MUSKINGUM COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ZANESVILLE.

REV. W. A. SMALLWOOD, RECTOR.

Children 9. Confirmed 6. Marriages 4. Funerals 4. Communicants, lost by removal 2, by withdrawal 1: added as new communicants 5, by removal 3; total 102. Sunday School Teachers 17, Scholars enrolled 120, average attendance 102. Contributions, to Colonization \$30, Missions \$35, Support of the Episcopate \$15, Sunday School \$15, Miscellaneous objects \$150.

The Church now embraces a larger number of communicants than it has ever had.—The congregation, also, is more numerous at present than at any former period. And of all, *peace is within our walls*. A turbulent spirit or two strove to introduce dissensions, and thus to disturb our peace; but they were met with the Word of God, the Liturgy and the Articles of the Church, and, through the Divine blessing, defeated their purpose. Happily, much good has grown out of the decided resistance offered. The result of the effort towards being "first pure," is, that we are now "peaceable," but prosperous. For this it is proper to thank God, whilst we labor with greater fidelity and diligence in the time to come. Missions have been devoted to missionary services, one at St. Matthew's, Madison, where the church is nearly finished, and the other at Zion Church, Dresden, where a fresh revival of the Church has lately been manifested.

ROSS COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, CHILLICOTHE.

REV. JAMES B. BRITTON, RECTOR.

The Bishop of the Diocese, that during the past conventional year, he has baptized 2 infants and 2 adults, Married 9 couples and attended 2 funerals. Of Communicants have been added from the congregation 8, from other parishes of the Church 10, other denominations of Christians 6,—total of additions 19; 8 have removed,

2 have been suspended, 4 have been dropped according to Canon 15th of the Diocese,—making the present number of Communicants on the list of this parish, 109. 16 persons have been Confirmed. Contributions have been as follows:—Alms at the monthly Communion \$71 69, Foreign Missions \$30, Domestic Missions \$60, Diocesan Missions \$25, Colonization Society \$10, Bishop's Salary \$100, for painting the walls of the church \$150, for plastering the basement \$40, Assessment for the Expenses of Convention \$15, besides the Sunday collections for incidental expenses.

The Sunday School continues about as it was, not by any means what it ought to be, and catechising but little appreciated. Missionary services have been rendered to the poor-house, and at Kingston, on the borders of the county where we have now a parish organized under very favorable circumstances. Some enterprising individuals have purchased a beautiful site for an ornamental cemetery, which is designed to be placed under the charge of the Vestry of this Church. The plan of weekly contributions for missions has been acted upon, and we have names enough pledged to realize during the year between \$200 and \$250 for Domestic, Foreign, and Diocesan Missions.

In things temporal, no minister of Christ need wish to be more blessed than the rector of this generous and united parish, and he would record his thanks to God for the blessing of health enjoyed by himself and family in general during the past year; but in the manifestations of the life and power and self-denial of the Gospel, we have much room for improvement, and yet a few among us amidst a most general state of spiritual indifference live and act as those who are not their own, but have been bought with a price, and we humbly hope that the Lord will not take his holy Spirit from us, but grant us his salvation.

SANDUSKY COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOWER SANDUSKY.

REV. H. HOLLIS, RECTOR.

Baptisms, adults 3, infants 6,—total 9. Communicants, received 1, admitted 9,—total added 10: removed 2, present number 13. Marriages 1. Burials 5. Public Services, on Sundays 109, on other days 15,—total 124. Sunday School Teachers, male 4, female 7,—total 11: pupils, males 20, females 40,—total 60. Monthly Collections have been made and appropriated as follows:—For the Support of Episcopate \$10, Contingent Expenses \$3, Domestic Missions (special) \$2 25, Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts with sales included \$6,—total \$21 25. There has been paid for parochial objects, viz:—For Sunday School Books \$6 12, for Carpeting church by the Ladies \$14, for Carpeting aisles by congregation and ladies \$45. For Bell \$150.—\$215 12. To this may be added cost of Church Edifice about \$4000.

This Parish has steadily improved, we humbly trust, the past year in spiritual things, though we could have desired even greater blessings than have been bestowed upon us. I regret to say I have collected nothing for Diocesan Missions. In the "public services," I have not included evening lectures held at private houses during the season of Lent.

SUMMIT COUNTY.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, AKRON.

REV. R. G. COXE, RECTOR.

Baptisms 12. Marriages 3. Burials 4. Communicants when I took charge last November 52, added by profession 7, restored 1,—total 60: removed 2, present number 58. Many who have removed from other parishes to this, have presented no letters, and are therefore not enrolled. The congregation has very greatly increased. A third service every alter

nate Sunday is held at Middlebury, where the congregation is too numerous to find room in the school-house, though a large one. May God, in his own good time, graciously plant his Church there.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CUYAHOGA FALLS.**REV. ALVAN EUION, RECTOR,**

Reports to the Bishop, Baptisms, infants 4. Communicants, removed 8, died 1, suspended 2, added 6, present number 46. Marriages 3. Funerals 3; and 1 in Bethel Church, Boston, the wife of the rector, the Rev. A. Bronson. Raised for Episcopate \$30, weekly offerings for Missions and Education \$19 38, from one Communicant of the parish \$11,—total \$30 48, and for repairing and painting the church about \$180. Mr. Charles Miller has kindly offered a lot on which to erect a parsonage, and the ladies of the Female Industrial Society of the parish have been instrumental in raising \$125 towards the erection of the parsonage. Sunday School Teachers 8, Scholars 40. During the summer a third service has been held in remote parts of the parish. Besides which I have preached twice each in Cleveland, Medina, Columbus, Piqua and Troy; thrice each in Massillon, Hudson and Wooster, and administered the Holy Communion in the latter place and once in Ohio City.

CHRIST CHURCH, HUDSON:**REV. ALANSON PHELPS, RECTOR.**

Baptisms, infant 5. Marriages 2. Burials 13. New Communicants, added 1, from other churches 8,—9: removed 3, present number 38. Contributions as follows:—For Kenyon College \$50, Missions \$25, Bible and Prayer Book Society \$5, Support of the Episcopate 10, Contingent Fund 4, other objects \$20,—\$ 114.

This is the second year this parish has enjoyed the stated privileges of the preached Gospel. Though not visited with a full out-pouring of the Spirit's influences, we trust the Lord's blessing has not been entirely withheld from our congregation.

SCIOTO COUNTY.**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH.****REV. E. BURR, RECTOR.**

Baptisms, adult 3, infant 6,—total 8. Confirmed 13. Communicants, former number 104, removed 9, died 1, added 17, present number 111. Marriages 7. Burials 8. Sunday Scholars, average attendance 90, Teachers 22. Young Ladies' Bible Class 10. Collections for Domestic Missions \$46, for Diocesan Missions \$34, for the erection of Churches \$15, besides other contributions for various purposes.

STARK COUNTY.**ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, MASSILLON.****REV. JOHN SWAN, RECTOR.****BLADENSBURG, Prince Georges Co., (Md.) Aug. 20, 1845.**

Rt. Rev. and Dear Sir:—Though now removed from your Diocese, yet being still canonically under your jurisdiction, I present to you my usual annual report. As perhaps you have already been advised by the Vestry, I closed my ministrations in St. Timothy's Church, Massillon, on the 3d of the present month. To leave a parish raised from its foun-

dation under my fostering care, and separate myself from a strongly attached people to whom I had broken the bread of life for more than nine years, was to me most trying: but duty seemed to require a removal to some other field of labor. I therefore submitted to the painful trial. The spiritual aspect of the parish during the past year, has been more discouraging than during any former period of my ministrations. Never before in the same length of time have there been so many losses to the communion by removals—never so few accessions either from abroad or from the congregation. It is hoped that brighter prospects await this people, and that the good seed which I have endeavored faithfully to sow, may yet spring up and bring forth abundantly under the culture of some more faithful and favored pastor. The following abstract is from the parochial records up to the period of my departure;—Communicants last reported 80, since lost by death, removal, &c. 20, added 3, (from the congregation 2 and by removal 1,) leaving the present number 63. Baptisms 7. Marriage 1. Funerals 12. Sunday School Teachers and Pupils about the same as last reported. Contribution to Missions \$30.

TRUMBULL COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BOARDMAN.

REV. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, RECTOR.

I have again to send you my report, as distance places it beyond my reach to be at Convention. My last report was from Hallowell, Maine. Since my return to the Diocese, which was in October last, I have been employed as follows:—On my way home I called at Boardman and aided our brethren of the N. E. Convocation. After my return to Medina, visited the neighboring parishes and preached for the brethren, in Medina, Grafton, Columbia, Massillon and Elyria. In May, 1845, by especial request, I again visited Boardman, and after receiving a strong invitation from the parish generally, I accepted their call to become their rector. I entered upon my duties about the first of July, at which time I informed you of my action. Since I have been here, I have been much engaged in regulating and establishing order in the parish, as it had materially suffered from the want of a clergyman for some months. I hope by the blessing of the Great Head of the Church, to have yet prosperity. Baptisms by myself since here 4 infants. As there is no list of communicants nor families, I cannot give it correctly, but believe there are as reported last year, 50 Communicants. No money as yet has been raised for the Episcopate, but I hope to be able to remit some soon after Convention. There is a Ladies' Society in each place, where moneys, I believe are generally applied to the aid of their own minister. I have succeeded in paying off the debt of Canfield Church, and got the whole matter settled.

WASHINGTON COUNTY.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MARIETTA.

REV. EDWARD WINTHROP, RECTOR,

Reports to the Bishop, that in view of the temporal and spiritual condition of the parish, he has reason upon the whole to feel encouraged. The congregation not only join with ardor in the exercises of public worship, but there are many, we hope, who to the service of the lips, add what is of far more importance, the deep and abiding homage of the heart. At sundry times during the past year, the Lord has visited us with the gracious tokens of his spiritual presence. There has been much seriousness among the communicants, and sometimes a spirit of effectual and prevailing prayer for the outpourings of the Holy Ghost, which has made the word of the Lord sharper than a two-edged sword. Though there have been but few conversions from among the impenitent, they nevertheless listen with great attention and interest to the preaching of the Gospel, and if the Church is only

faithful to itself, in supplicating for the blessing of God and the effectual influences of his grace, our friends who are still out of the ark of safety, must ultimately be brought in.—The efforts of the rector have therefore, to a great extent, been directed to elevating the standard of piety in the Church, and building up the communicants in their most holy faith.

The rector is gratified to say, that he is constantly receiving many and multiplied proofs of friendship and affection from his parishioners, and though their offerings are not so large as they could wish, if their means were more extensive, yet those offerings are rendered to their servant in Christ with a willing heart. In addition to preaching regularly on the Sabbath, he has during the past year conducted a monthly missionary meeting, and also expounded in a weekly lecture the whole of the prophetic Scriptures of Daniel and St. John, together with other portions of the sacred word. May the Lord ~~directly~~ ^{directly} ~~be~~ through the truth, and speedily accomplish the number of his elect, and hasten his coming and kingdom, that all nations may see his glory, and all the earth be filled with his praise.

The statistics of the parish are as follows:—Baptisms, infants 4. Marriages 4. Burials 4. Communicants, added 4, (two of them new communicants, and two on [certificate,] lost by discipline 1, by death 1, by removal 1. Present number of Communicants, as enrolled on the parish register 53. There are several others who occasionally commune, but the rector not having received the certificate required by the Canon, has not yet recorded their names.

In addition to a liberal provision for the salary of their minister, the parish has during the past year relinquished all aid from the Board of Missions, and contributed to various benevolent objects about \$260. The Lord be praised for his abounding goodness and mercy.

WAYNE COUNTY.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WOOSTER.

REV. T. B. FAIRCHILD, RECTOR.

Communicants 31. Baptisms, 1 infant. Marriages 9. Burials 1. Sunday School Scholars 61, Teachers 9, Contributions for different objects \$15 94. For the past two years this parish has suffered by removals and pecuniary embarrassments. After using every exertion at home, and receiving some assistance from abroad, they have still a small debt resting upon the Church, which if paid, would ~~enable~~ ^{enable} the parishioners with new courage and zeal. Under all their discouragements, they have been ~~second to none~~, in proportion to their ability, in giving for the support of the Gospel.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

REPORT OF HENRY B. CURTIS, TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

To the Twenty-Eighth Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

The undersigned, Treasurer of said Diocese, submits the following Annual Report :—

No. 1.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

Amount of Arrears carried to Treasurer's book for the current year,	\$ 1250 06
Amount of Assessments for 1845,	1935 00
Amount received by the Bishop at Hamilton,	6 00
Amount of sundry payments in advance, on Assessment for 1846, (See Table A.)	67 00
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	\$ 3258 06

CONTRA.

Amount received in Treasury during the current year,	\$ 1551 09
Amount of present arrears,	1706 97
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	\$ 3258 06

No. 2.

GENERAL FUND.

Amount of Arrears carried into Treasurer's book for current year,	\$ 365 70
Amount of Assessments for 1845,	431 00
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	\$ 796 70

CONTRA.

Amount paid into the Treasury during the year,	\$ 367 48
Amount of present Arrears,	429 22
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	\$ 796 70

No. 3.

The following Statement exhibits the present condition of the BISHOP'S ACCOUNT with the Treasury.

Amount due him by my last report then remaining in the Treasury,	\$ 772 33
Amount do do Deficit,	396 29
Amount of Diocesan's Salary for current year,	2000 00
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Carried forward.	\$ 3168 62

Amount brought forward, \$ 3168 62

CONTRA: Cr.

By amount paid Bishop Melvaine at sundry times during the year,
in account, (See voucher,) \$ 2323 42
Amount remitted by the Bishop on his salary for the current year 500 00
Balance due the Bishop to be carried to his credit in new account, 345 20

\$ 3168 62

No. 4.

GENERAL FUND.

The following Statement exhibits the present condition of the Treasury account with the General Fund.

Amount on hand at date of my last Report, September 7th, 1844, \$ 261 89
Paid in by the different Parishes during the past year, (See Table A.) 367 48

\$ 629 37

1844.

CONTRA, Cr.

Sept. 15. By paid Erastus Burr amount of his claim for expenses to
General Convention, \$ 46 00
17. Paid Bishop on expenses to General Convention, 5 00
Oct'r. 5. Paid Mr. Wing balance of his claim for printing Journal
of 1842, 157 03
Paid Mr. Wing postage bill 7 43
Nov'r. 35. Paid Bishop Melvaine clerical dues from this Diocese
to General Convention, 42 75
Paid do. for expenses to General Convention, 39 87
Paid do. for a counterfeit note received at Massillon
from Treasurer, 1 00
1845.
March 6. Paid to Mr. Muenscher bill of paper from Williams, 33 50
Paid Mr. Wing on Diocesan postage by Bishop's order, 12 01
May 25. Paid sundry postages, 75
June 3. Paid Rev. Mr. Dobb expenses to General Convention, 50 00
July 22. Paid Rev. J. Muenscher bill of sundry expenses con-
nected with publication, &c. of Journal of 1844, 29 48
Sundry postages paid by Treasurer, 1 50
Sept'r. 13. Paid Rev. J. T. Brooke expenses to Gen. Convention, 50 00
Paid Rev. Wm. Smallwood on acct. do. 15 00
Paid Rev. J. Muenscher for blank book, 4 00
Paid do. do. on expenses of forthcoming
Journal, 30 00
Paid M. T. C. Wing in part of bill for printing Jour-
nal of 1843, (leaving yet unpaid and for which
he holds my certificate \$21 58) 89 22
Paid do. for Diocesan's postages on Bishop's orders, 14 33
Bad coin received in payment of dues at Conven-
tion, 50

\$ 629 37

The undersigned has compiled a Table which he also herewith reports to the Convention, marked A., exhibiting a list of the Churches of this Diocese, with their places of location *alphabetically arranged*, the amounts paid in by each during the past year, the present arrears, the assessment for 1846 according to the ratio fixed by the Committee at the Convention of Massillon, and the total due from each Parish for the ensuing year.

All which is respectfully submitted,

H. B. CURTIS,

Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio.

Mt. Vernon, Sept. 13, 1845.

TABLE A.

Accompanying the Treasurer's Report, showing the names of the Churches with their places of location alphabetically arranged; the amount paid in by each during the past year; the present arrears; the assessment for 1846, as fixed by the last Convention, and the total due from each Parish for the ensuing year.—Each fund stated separately.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

		Amt. paid past year.	Present Ar- rears.	Assessment 1845-'46,	Total for en- suing year.
Ashtabula,	St. Peter's,	\$ 20 00	\$ 90 00	\$ 45 00	\$ 135 00
Akron,	St. Paul's,		30 00	20 00	50 00
Berkshire,	Grace,	12 00	38 00	20 00	58 00
Boardman,	St. James',		35 00	15 00	50 00
Boston,	Bethel,		17 00	5 00	22 00
Batavia,	St. James',		2 00	2 00	4 00
Cincinnati,	Christ Church,	200 00		200 00	200 00
Do.	St. Paul's,	136 00	277 00	125 00	402 00
Do.	Trinity,		10 00	5 00	15 00
Do.	Grace,		70 00	15 00	85 00
Cleveland,	Trinity,	150 00*		100 00	50 00
Columbus,	Trinity,	65 50	94 50	90 00	184 50
Do.	St. Paul's,	20 00		20 00	20 00
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	100 00		85 00	85 00
Cuyahoga Falls,	St. John's,	30 00		30 00	30 00
Circleville,	St. Philip's,	50 00	37 25	75 00	112 25
Carlton,	Zion,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Columbia,	St. Luke's,		8 00	5 00	13 00
Cross Creek,	St. James',		28 00	20 00	48 00
Delaware,	St. Peter's,	65 00	78 00	40 00	118 00
Dayton,	Christ Church,	34 00	16 00	50 00	66 00
Dover,	St. John's,		15 00	5 00	20 00
Dresden,	Zion,	3 00	2 00	5 00	7 00
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	6 00	29 00	10 00	39 00
East Liverpool,	St. Stephens,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Euclid,	St. Paul's,	5 00		5 00	5 00
Franklin,	Christ Church,	5 00	10 00	5 00	15 00

*\$ 50 00 in advance on ensuing year.

EPISCOPATE FUND.—CONTINUED.

		Amt. paid past year.	Present Ar- rears.	Assessment 1845-'46,	Total for en- suing year.
Granville,	St. Luke's,	\$ 13 00	\$ 42 00	\$ 40 00	\$ 82 00
Gambier,	Harcourt parish,	31 00	29 00	60 00	89 00
Greenville,	St. Paul's,		10 00	5 00	15 00
Grafton,	St. Stephen's,	5 00	20 00	5 00	25 00
Haron,	Christ Church,	14 00	10 00	15 00	25 00
Hudson.	Christ Church,	11 00*		10 00	9 00
Hamilton,	St. Matthew's,	6 00			
Jefferson,	Trinity,	5 00		5 00	5 00
Lyme,	Trinity,	10 00	6 50	10 00	16 50
Liverpool,	Christ Church,		10 00	5 00	15 00
Lower Sandusky,	St. Paul's,	10 50	19 50	10 00	29 50
Lancaster,	St. John's,		15 00	15 00	30 00
Marietta.	St. Luke's,	20 00		20 00	20 00
Mt. Vernon,	St. Paul's,	42 84	32 66	75 00	107 66
Massillon,	St. Timothy's,	20 00	20 00	40 00	60 00
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's,		25 00	10 00	35 00
Medina,	St. Paul's,	20 00	19 00	30 00	49 00
Madison,	St. Matthew's,		20 00	10 00	30 00
Maumee,	St. Paul's,		46 00	25 00	71 00
Newark,	Trinity,	34 75	42 50	55 00	97 50
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	48 00†		35 00	29 00
Newton Falls,	St. Mark's,		10 00	10 00	20 00
Ohio City,	St. John's,	20 00	54 00	20 00	74 00
Painesville,	St. James'	15 00	15 00	30 00	45 00
Piqua.	St. James'	50 00	45 06	50 00	95 06
Portsmouth,	All Saints',	75 00		50 00	50 00
Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,		7 00	7 00	14 00
Penfield,	Christ Church,	1 00	1 00	2 00	3 00
Rome,	St. Peter's,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Springfield,	Christ Church,	30 00‡		20 00	10 00
Staubenville,	St. Paul's,	30 00	62 00	50 00	112 00
Strongsville,	St. Phillip's,		45 00	10 00	55 00
Sandusky City,	Grace,	30 00		30 00	30 00
Springfield,	St. John's,	15 00		5 00	5 00
St. Clairsville,	St. Thomas',		5 00	5 00	10 00
Sydney,	St. Mark's,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Troy.	Trinity,		40 00	10 00	50 00
Toledo,	Trinity,		15 00	15 00	30 00
Unionville,	St. Michael's,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Utica,	St. Paul's,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Worthington,	St. John's,	12 00	37 00	20 00	57 00
Warren,	Christ Church,	5 00		5 00	5 00
Wooster,	St. James',	8 00	22 00	15 00	37 00
Wakeman,	St. John's,		5 00	5 00	10 00
Windsor,	Christ Church,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Zanesville,	St. James',	68 00	77 00	85 00	162 00
Total		\$ 1551 09	\$ 1706 97	\$1935 00	\$ 3585 22

* \$1 00 on ensuing year.

† \$6 00 on ensuing year.

‡ \$10 00 on ensuing year.

GENERAL FUND.

		Amt. Paid past year.	Present Ar- rears.	Assessment for 1846.	Total for en- suing year.
Ashtabula,	St. Peter's,	\$ 5 00	\$ 13 00	\$ 10 00	\$ 23 00
Akron,	St. Paul's,		4 00	4 00	8 00
Berkshire,	Grace,	3 00	3 00	3 00	6 00
Boardman,	St. James',		16 50	5 00	21 50
Boston,	Bethel,		2 00	1 00	3 00
Batavia,	St. James',		2 00	1 00	3 00
Cincinnati,	Christ Church,	50 00		50 00	50 00
Do.	St. Paul's,	25 00	50 00	25 00	75 00
Do.	Trinity,		10 00	5 00	15 00
Do.	Grace,		10 00	5 00	15 00
Cleveland,	Trinity,	23 00		23 00	23 00
Columbus,	Trinity,	50 50	26 50	20 00	46 00
Do.	St. Paul's,	5 00		5 00	5 00
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	15 00		15 00	15 0
Cuyahoga Falls,	St. John's,	14 00		7 00	7 00
Circleville,	St. Philip's,	10 00	16 50	10 00	26 50
Carlton,	Zion,		2 00	1 00	3 00
Columbia,	St. Luke's,		3 00	1 00	4 00
Cross Creek,	St. James',	6 00		6 00	6 00
Delaware,	St. Peter's,	29 00		10 00	10 00
Dayton,	Christ Church,		33 00	10 00	43 00
Dover,	St. John's,		5 00	1 00	6 00
Dresden,	Zion,	3 00	2 00	1 00	3 00
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	2 00	7 00	4 00	11 00
East Liverpool,	St. Stephens,		4 00	1 00	5 00
Euclid,	St. Paul's,	2 00		2 00	2 00
Franklin,	Christ Church,		6 00	1 00	7 00
Granville,	St. Luke's,		8 00	8 00	16 00
Gambier,	Harcourt Parish,	6 00		6 00	6 00
Greenville,	St. Paul's,		6 00	3 00	9 00
Grafton,	St. Stephen's,	3 00	2 00	3 00	5 00
Huron,	Christ Church,	2 00	2 00	2 00	4 00
Hudson,	Christ Church,	5 00		4 00	4 00
Hamilton,	St. Matthew's,				
Jefferson,	Trinity,	1 00		1 00	1 00
Lyme,	Trinity,		2 00	1 00	3 00
Liverpool,	Christ Church,		5 00	2 00	7 00
Lower Sandusky,	St. Paul's,	6 00		3 00	3 00
Lancaster,	St. John's,		6 00	2 00	8 00
Marietta,	St. Luke's,	5 00		5 00	5 00
Mt. Vernon,	St. Paul's,	16 00		16 00	16 00
Massillon,	St. Timothy's,		12 00	12 00	24 00
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's,		3 00	2 00	5 00
Medina,	St. Paul's,	5 00	2 00	7 00	9 00
Madison,	St. Matthew's,		6 00	2 00	8 00
Maumec,	St. Paul's,		7 00	2 00	9 00
Newark,	Trinity,		16 00	12 00	28 00
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	21 00	7 00	7 00	14 00
Newton Falls,	St. Mark's,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Ohio City,	St. John's,	5 00	23 00	9 00	32 00

GENERAL FUND.—CONTINUED.

		Amt. Paid past year.	Present Ar- rearages.	Assessment for 1846.	Total for en- suing year.
Painesville,	St. James',	\$ 5 00	\$ 2 00	\$ 7 00	\$ 9 00
Piqua,	St. James',		12 00	12 00	24 00
Portsmouth,	All Saints',	10 00	10 00	10 00	20 00
Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,		4 25	2 00	6 25
Penfield,	Christ Church,		1 00	1 00	2 00
Rome,	St. Peter's,		3 00	1 00	4 00
Springfield,	Christ Church,	4 00		4 00	4 00
Staubenville,	St. Paul's,		12 00	12 00	24 00
Strongsville,	St. Philip's,		5 00	1 00	6 00
Sandusky City,	Grace,	5 00		5 00	5 00
Springfield,	St. John's	5 00		2 00	2 00
St. Clairsville,	St. Thomas',		6 00	1 00	7 00
Sydney,	St. Mark's,				
Troy,	Trinity,		20 00	3 00	23 00
Toledo,	Trinity,		1 00	1 00	2 00
Unionville,	St. Michael's,		2 00	2 00	4 00
Utica,	St. Paul's,		3 45	1 00	4 45
Werthington,	St. John's,	7 48	4 52	5 00	9 52
Warren,	Christ Church,		1 00	1 00	2 00
Wooster,	St. James',		11 00	5 00	16 00
Wakeman,	St. John's,		5 00	1 00	6 00
Windsor,	Christ Church,		2 00	1 00	3 00
Zanesville,	St. James',	15 00		15 00	15 00
Totals,		\$ 367 45	\$ 429 22	\$ 431 00	\$ 859 72

HENRY B. CURTIS,

Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio,

Mt. Vernon, Sept. 13, 1845.

NOTE BY THE SECRETARY.—The foregoing Report having been prepared by the Treasurer without having before him the report of the Finance Committee, requires the following correction, which is made here to avoid any misapprehension on the part of the Parishes interested, to wit: Strike off the following Parishes as deemed by the Committee unable to pay their assessments, viz:—St. Stephen's, East-Liverpool; Christ Church, Windsor; St. James', Batavia; St. Paul's, Utica, St. Mark's, Sydney.

And add the following new Churches with the Assessments for the ensuing year, viz:—

Cleveland,	Grace Church,	Episcopate Fund	\$20 00;	General Fund	\$3 00
Kington,	St. James',	Do.	4 00;	Do.	1 00
Centerville,	St. David's,	Do.	5 00;	Do.	1 00
Pittsfield-	Calvary.	Do.	2 00;	Do.	1 00

Also, reduce St. Philip's, Circleville, to an Assessment on the Episcopate Fund of \$60 00, and on the General Fund \$8 00.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

*M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer in Acct. with the Education Fund of the
Diocese of Ohio.*

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Sept.	To balance on hand,	-	-	-	\$ 1 40
	Scholarship Scrip,	-	-	-	120 00
	rec'd. from R. Stephen's, Grafton,	-	-	-	1 02
	" Trinity Church, Cleveland,	-	-	-	17 70
	" Sunday School offering, Christ Church, Springfield,	-	-	-	9 11
	" St. Timothy's Church, Massillon,	-	-	-	25 00
	" Ladies' Missionary Society, Trinity, Columbus,	-	-	-	44 27
	" St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	-	-	-	16 00
	" Collected at Convention, one-half,	-	-	-	36 00
	" Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	-	-	-	95 33
	" Theological Seminary, Clark Scholarship,	-	-	-	49 25
	" Christ Church, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	75 00
	" St. Paul's, Steubenville,	-	-	-	20 00
	" St. James', Painesville,	-	-	-	10 00
	" Grace Church, Sandusky City,	-	-	-	20 00
	" Rev. C. T. F. Haensel, Quebec,	-	-	-	32 26
	" Miss. Soc., Male Sunday School, Georgetown, D. C.,	-	-	-	30 00
	" Trinity Church, Columbus,	-	-	-	16 50
	" St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	28 95
	" St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	-	-	-	5 50
	" St. John's, Ohio City,	-	-	-	7 00
	" Christ Church, Dayton,	-	-	-	18 00
	" Sunday School, St. Philip's, Circleville,	-	-	-	7 50
	" Theological Seminary, H. More Scholarship,	-	-	-	36 29
	" Do. Clark Scholarship,	-	-	-	7 30
	" Trinity Church, Newark,	-	-	-	8 50
	" All Saints', Portsmouth,	-	-	-	14 00
	" Sunday School, Christ Church, Springfield,	-	-	-	7 00
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					\$ 758 98

To bal. to new Acct., Scrip \$ 96 35

" Cash, 89

\$ 97 24

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September	By sundry payments to Beneficiaries,	\$ 661 74
	" balance of Scrip,	96 35
	" Cash on hand,	89
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		\$ 756 98

M. T. C. WING, Treasurer.

*C. Wing, Treasurer, in Acct. with the Missionary Fund of the
Diocese of Ohio.*

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Per.	To balance on hand,	-	-	\$ 1 92
	Amount collected at Convention, one half,	-	-	36 10
	“ from St. Luke's, Columbia,	-	-	1 70
	“ Calvary Church, Pittsfield,	-	-	1 21
	“ St. Stephen's, Grafton,	-	-	3 39
	“ Grace Church, Sandusky City,	-	-	10 00
	“ St. James', Cross Creek,	-	-	2 15
	“ St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,	-	-	7 95
	“ St. Alban's, Deersville,	-	-	4 16
	“ Ladies' Missionary Society, Columbus,	-	-	24 40
	“ St. Luke's, Granville,	-	-	3 00
	“ St. James', Painesville,	-	-	8 00
	“ Convocation St. James', Boardman,	-	-	8 38
	“ St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	-	-	16 00
	“ Convocation St. James', Painesville,	-	-	15 00
	“ Trinity Church, Newark,	-	-	10 00
	“ St. James', Piqua,	-	-	33 50
	“ Member of Grace Church, Sandusky,	-	-	10 00
	“ H. T. Woodward, Brunswick,	-	-	5 00
	“ Avails of work by little girls, Gambier,	-	-	7 11
	“ St. Paul's, Medina,	-	-	6 00
	“ St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	-	-	11 25
	“ Christ Church, Huron,	-	-	4 00
	“ A Lady of St. Paul's, Norwalk,	-	-	2 00
	“ Christ Church, Springfield,	-	-	6 00
	“ Sunday School offering, do,	-	-	3 00
	“ St. James', Wooster,	-	-	4 94
	“ St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	-	-	25 00
	“ Friend of Missions, Elyria,	-	-	5 00
	“ Miss Andrew's, do,	-	-	1 00
	“ St. Paul's, Medina,	-	-	8 57
	“ St. Stephen's, Grafton,	-	-	4 10
	“ St. Philip's, Circleville,	-	-	33 75
	“ Ladies' Miss. Society, Trinity Church, Columbus,	-	-	39 59
	“ Grace Church, Sandusky City,	-	-	30 00
	“ St. Paul's, Medina,	-	-	4 33
	“ St. Andrew's, Elyria,	-	-	4 67
	“ St. Paul's, Akron,	-	-	6 00
	“ Dr. Russell, Mt. Vernon,	-	-	5 00
	“ Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	-	-	22 00
	“ Christ Church, Penfield,	-	-	4 63
	“ St. Stephen's, Grafton,	-	-	5 64
	“ St. Timothy's, Massillon,	-	-	20 00
	“ A Lady of St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	-	1 00
	“ St. Philip's, Circleville,	-	-	23 50
	“ St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	-	18 20
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				\$ 508 06
	Balance to new Account,		\$ 20 11	

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September.	By paid Rev. Mr. Gray,	-	-	-	\$ 148 26
	" " Mr. Fairchild	-	-	-	89 44
	" " Mr. Tolford,	-	-	-	30 00
	" " Mr. Wheeler,	-	-	-	20 00
	" " Mr. Townsend,	-	-	-	87 00
	" " Mr. Holden,	-	-	-	111 14
	" " Mr. Edwards,	-	-	-	7 11
	" " Mr. Henshaw,	-	-	-	40 00
	" Bad money,	-	-	-	5 00
	" Balance in Treasury,	-	-	-	20 11
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					\$ 508 06

September, 1845.

M. T. C. WING, Treasurer.

The above Report has been duly examined and compared with the vouchers and found to be correct.

M. WHITE, Auditor.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II. When the President takes the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention, the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the Chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present,—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the Parishes entitled to representation: and the Lay-Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1. *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of Membership, and Certificates of Lay-Delegates, and Incorporation of Churches, and their Admission into Union with the Convention. 2. *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examination has reported the names of the Lay-Delegates entitled to seats in Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:—1. *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's Report, and Assessment of the Parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2. A

Committee on Missions, to consist of two clergymen and one layman; to whom shall be referred the Report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3. *A Committee of Canons*, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to whom new canons and alterations and amendments of existing canons shall be referred.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made except to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All Committees shall be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, until altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

FORM OF THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name, and style and title of the Parish of _____ Church, in the Township of _____, County of _____, and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten 'days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded together with the Minutes of the Meeting, in a book, to be thereafter kept as a Parish Register: a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the Parish to the Bishop, which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of Association, the name of the Parish with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible, to have the Parish Incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the Parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith, for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop, should be sent to the Convention, certified by the Clerk of the Parish.

C O N S T I T U T I O N

OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

A R T I C L E I .

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the constitution of that Church and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

A R T I C L E II .

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second Thursday after the first Wednesday, in September, of every year, unless otherwise provided by a preceding Convention, and at such place as shall, in like manner be provided. But if the place should not be appointed by the preceding Convention, it shall be determined by the Bishop of the Diocese; or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

A R T I C L E III .

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop and every Minister of this Diocese, canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention—or employed as a Missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese—or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated Seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this

Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates; not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. The delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process, shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

ARTICLE IV.

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church; or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and do so if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

ARTICLE V.

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

ARTICLE VI.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen who shall remain in office until the next annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts—preserve its records—notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative, and belonging to, the Convention, which may be in his charge.

ARTICLE VII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention, and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve till others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Standing committee shall be chosen at each annual Convention and shall consist of three clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said Committee required by the 4th Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the Committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings, a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of this Committee to keep a faithful record of all proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the Committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office may have been committed to him. The minutes of the Committee and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the

examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the Committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

ARTICLE IX.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an annual Convention; or in a special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed; the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows:—The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made, shall be communicated to the lay members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

ARTICLE X.

The clergy and lay-delegates in Convention, shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by orders is called for by five members. In such case, the concurrence of both orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two orders respectively shall decide.

ARTICLE XI.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows:—A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention, in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two orders voting separately, the change shall take place; and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

C A N O N S

OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

C A N O N I.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.

Sec. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII. of the General Convention, he is liable to be tried; application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee; and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as pos-

sible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

Sec. 2. Presentment being made; the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters, so nominated, the accused shall select five and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he do not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese) as they shall think necessary.

Sec. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who, by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation, as they may be able to obtain.

Sec. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

Sec. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

Sec. 6. In case a Clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months, the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

Sec. 7. At their first meeting, the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they may determine, and before proceeding to trial, they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

Sec. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and sign-

ed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer, authorized by law to administer oaths, may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

Sec. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth satisfactorily, that any material witnesses cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness; and the party applying as above, shall give to the other party at least *five days* notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served, reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such Commissioner, may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

Sec. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board, as to what sentence should be pronounced—whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused, in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial. before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

Sec. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision made [by the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

C A N O N I I .

OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

Sec. 1. In every Church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens,—one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish—who, in the absence of the rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings—attest the public acts of the Vestry—preserve all records and papers belonging to the

Parish—perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

Sec. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Article of Parochial Association; and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the Church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

Sec. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pew holder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

Sec. 4. If any Vestryman shall be guilty of scandalous or immoral conduct, or shall be notoriously immoral in his general character, it shall be the duty of the Minister, or in case there shall be no minister, of the Senior Warden, to present him to the Vestry, who shall have power, on being satisfied of his guilt, to expel him; provided always that at least two-thirds concur in such expulsion, and that the person expelled shall have a right to appeal to the Bishop.

Sec. 5. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of Divine worship, and in general to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the Gospel; it being understood always that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the Alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading as circumstances may permit.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such church or congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate—from a majority of the

Standing Committee, that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DEPUTIES.

It shall be the duty of all clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the Communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows, viz:—

**This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of
Church held on the day of A. B.,
who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-
Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal
Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the day of in
the year of our Lord Signed**

Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their Articles of Incorporation, or Association.

CANON V.

A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE DIOCESE.

Sec. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a List of the Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or Stations as missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above—their places of Residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons—but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal, and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Sec. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VI.

ON PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Sec. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him: or in his parish by any other Episcopal minister: specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names

of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the Minister, in a book, kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the parish.

Sec. 2 In addition to the Register above named, the Minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the Communicants and of Families within his cure—specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise

Sec. 3. Every Minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop—or if there be no Bishop—to the President of the Convention, a statement of the number of baptisms, marriages, funerals, and persons confirmed within his cure since the last Convention, and also of the number of communicants, specifying the removals and deaths, also the additions to the communion, and whether the last have been by removal from the communion of other churches or otherwise, since the last Convention—and also of the number of pupils and teachers connected with Sunday-school instruction in the parish—and of the number of persons connected with Bible-class instruction, and of any Missionary or other benevolent societies, and of all contributions for benevolent objects, by subscription or public collections, together with a concise statement of whatever other matters of fact may be important in showing the state of the parish.

CANON VII.

OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON VIII.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the 7th Article of the Constitution, four clergymen out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four Laymen who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention—which Deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the Deputies-elect, to signify to the Bishop on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not, to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay-deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese, and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies-elect above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON IX.**ON LAY READERS.**

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay-Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay-Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention.

CANON X.**ON PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.**

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in the 51st Canon of the General Convention, a Committee of the Convention of this Diocese, shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a Report of the State of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XI.**OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.**

Sec. 1, In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the 6th Article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the Minister, or in case there be no minister, to the Wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the Form of a Parochial Report—and a Form by which to certify the Appointment of Lay-Deputies, together with the Assessment laid upon the Parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese—as well as of any Charge or Pastoral Letter recently published—and to the General Convention, a Certificate of the Appointment of Clerical and Lay-Deputies.

CANON XII.**OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.**

Sec. 1. At every stated Convention, there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all monies collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a Committee of the same.

Sec. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIII.**OF MISSIONS, AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.**

Sec. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the Mis-

sionary work; and the education of young men for the Ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work—it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church, that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister in this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction.—I Cor. xvi. 1.

Sec. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a Committee consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, *ex-officio*, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of Beneficiaries, the appointment of Missionaries, and Missionary Stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

Sec. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the Missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

Sec. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee, when he is present—if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

Sec. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

Sec. 7. No Beneficiary or Missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the same, which consent shall be entered on the Minutes.

Sec. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated—which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

Sec. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer who shall be *ex-officio* members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention, may be supplied by the Committee. No monies shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XIV.

FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

Sec. 1. Every Minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant, whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every house-holder or pew-holder, who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 3. Out of the sum so received, the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum. The sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

C A N O N X V .

O F L A Y D I S C I P L I N E .

Sec. 1. Any Communicant, who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the Rector, may be suspended from the communion.

Sec. 2. A Communicant changing his residence, and thus dissolving his connection with any parish, shall be required to present a certificate of good standing from the Minister of such parish, or if it have no minister, from one of its Wardens, before being enrolled as a communicant of any parish in this Diocese.

C A N O N X V I .

O F C O N T I N G E N T E X P E N S E S .

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention, shall be applied to the following objects: 1. To defray the travelling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention and such other documents as may be ordered by Convention. 5. To defray the travelling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the travelling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

C A N O N X V I I .

O F A L T E R A T I O N S I N T H E C A N O N S A N D A D D I T I O N S T H E R E T O .

No proposition to alter or add to, the Canons of the Diocese, shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a Committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

C A N O N X V I I I .

R E P E A L I N G O F F O R M E R C A N O N S .

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

CONSTITUTION
OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL
CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO, AS AMENDED IN 1839-'40.

ARTICLE I.

The Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby establish a Seminary for the Education of Ministers of the Gospel in said Church; such Seminary to be founded upon Donations made and to be made, in the united kingdoms of Great Britain and Ireland, and in America, for that purpose, and to be known by the name of "The Theological Seminary of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio."

ARTICLE II.

The said Seminary shall be established by the Convention of the Diocese, at such place within the same as shall be consistent with the deed of donation, executed by the Bishop of Ohio, in England, on the 27th day of November, 1823; and when once established, shall for ever after remain in the same place.

ARTICLE III.

The direction and management of said Seminary shall be vested in a Board of Trustees, which shall consist of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, and of four clerical and four lay Trustees, to be chosen by the Convention of the Diocese, and to remain in office for the term of three years, and until their successors are chosen, provided that no officer of the Seminary or of any institution that may be annexed thereto, except the President of Kenyon College, shall be eligible to said Board. This article, so far as it respects the number of clerical and lay Trustees, may from time to time be amended by a concurring resolution of the Convention, and of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, so as to increase the number of clerical and lay Trustees, until the number of each may be twelve; which number shall thereafter constitute the permanent Board of clerical and lay Trustees.

ARTICLE IV.

A majority of the whole number of Trustees shall be necessary to constitute a quorum to do business. The Bishop, if present, shall preside. In his absence, a President pro tem. shall be appointed by ballot; whose office shall expire with the final adjournment of the meeting of the Board at which the appointment was made. If any vacancy shall happen in the Board of Trustees, such vacancy shall be filled by the Convention that may meet next thereafter.

ARTICLE V.

The Seminary shall be under the immediate charge and superintendence of the Bishop of the Diocese for the time being, as President of the Institution, and du-

ring the recess of the Board the Bishop shall be the Prudential Committee in all secular matters of the institution.

ARTICLE VI.

The Board of Trustees shall have power to constitute professorships, and to appoint and remove the professors, and to prescribe the course of study, and to make all rules, regulations and statutes which may be necessary for the government of the Seminary, and to secure its prosperity: provided, that all such rules, regulations, statutes, or other proceedings, shall for ever be in conformity "to the doctrine, discipline, constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and to the course of study prescribed, or to be prescribed, by the Bishops of the said Church."

ARTICLE VII.

If at any time the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall by resolution, entered in their Journals, declare any rule, regulation, statute or other proceeding of the Board of Trustees hereby constituted, to be contrary to the doctrine, discipline, constitution, and canons of the Church, or to the course of study prescribed by the Bishops, such rule, regulation, statute, or other proceeding, shall thenceforth cease to have effect, and shall be considered as abrogated and annulled.

ARTICLE VIII.

The Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, shall individually, and any two or more of them, be visitants of the Seminary, to take care that the course of discipline and instruction be conformable to the preceding provisions. And it shall be lawful for any one of the Bishops aforesaid, at any time to institute in his own name and character of Bishop, any proper legal process to enforce and secure the administration of the Seminary according to the foundation herein prescribed.

ARTICLE IX.

The Board of Trustees, as soon as the Convention of the Diocese shall so instruct them, shall annex to the Seminary, a College, with the necessary Preparatory Schools; subject, like the Seminary, to the provisions of the 7th and 8th Articles of the Constitution, which College shall have a separate President and Faculty, the Trustees having power to make all needful by-laws, and to appoint and remove all Professors and other officers, necessary to the government and prosperity of said College: provided that the President be appointed on the nomination of the Bishop of the Diocese, and that in case he shall not so nominate within two months after being requested so to do by the Board of Trustees, then they shall proceed to elect a President without such nomination,—provided also that his Episcopal supervision and authority be understood as embracing the spiritual interests of the College and its Preparatory Schools, and that the present property of the said Seminary, whatever use the Trustees may permit the College to make of any part thereof, shall always remain exclusively the property of the Seminary.

ARTICLE X.

The Board of Trustees shall meet at Gambier, annually, on the day preceding the Commencement. The President of the Board shall at any time, upon the ap-

plication in writing of one member of the Standing Committee of the Diocese, and two clerical and two lay Trustees, call a meeting of the Board to be held at such other time and place as he may appoint, not exceeding thirty days from the day on which the application shall be presented.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be amended by the concurrent vote of the Bishop, a majority of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and a majority of the Convention of the Diocese.

Provided, that no alteration or amendment whatever be made in this Constitution, whereby the funds of the Seminary, raised in England, be appropriated to any other use than the education and theological instruction of students, for the ministry in the Protestant Episcopal Church. This proviso, however, does not preclude the lawfulness and constitutionality of annexing a College to the Seminary; and making provision so far as practicable, for the admission of other students, at their own expense, to the benefit of a College education.

ACT OF INCORPORATION OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE BISHOP'S FUND OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

"An Act to Incorporate the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio.

Sec. 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That Benjamin Gardiner, John Matthews, and John C. Wright, and their successors in office, be and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, by which name they shall be, and are hereby made capable of receiving, holding and disposing of any estate, real or personal, which may be in them invested, for the support and maintenance of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Ohio, and by which name they may sue and be sued, and in relation to the property in them invested, do and perform every act necessary for the receiving, safe keeping, using and disposing of the same to the best advantage; provided that the actual value of the property invested as aforesaid, shall not exceed ten thousand dollars, nor the annual income therefrom fifteen hundred dollars.

"Sec. 2. Be it further enacted, That the Trustees of the Bishop's Fund of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio, shall be elected triennially by the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, and shall continue until their successors are duly appointed; and this Corporation shall at all times be subject to be altered, new-modeled, or repealed, as the General Assembly may deem useful; provided that no alteration, modification or repeal, shall divert the use of said fund from its original destination, which is hereby declared to be, making provision for the support of the Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio.

"January 24th, 1821."

**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS
OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN
OF THE PROT. EPIS. CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.**

ACT OF INCORPORATION.

**"AN ACT to provide a Fund for the Relief of the Widows and Children of the
Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio.**

"Sec. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Ohio, That M. T. C. Wing, William Sparrow, John P. Bausman, James McElroy, Ethan Allen R. V. Rogers, B. P. Aydelott, Alvah Sanford, A. Guion and William Preston,* clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, and such clergymen in the orders and communion of the said Church, as may hereafter become their associates, and shall be contributors to the funds of the Corporation herein erected, and as may be admitted into the said Corporation by a majority of the members thereof, for the time being, shall be, and they and their successors are hereby declared to be a body corporate and politic forever, by the name of "The Corporation for the Relief of the Widows and Children of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the State of Ohio," and by the same name they and their successors, shall have perpetual succession, and shall be capable in law of taking, holding and alienating any estate, real or personal. Provided, that the annual income of such property shall not exceed five thousand dollars.

Sec. 2. The members of the said Corporation and their successors, may meet at such time and place as a majority shall agree upon, for the purpose of forming such rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry into effect the purpose of this Act: Provided that such rules be not repugnant to the laws and constitution of this State.

Sec. 3. That the said Corporation and their successors, by the name aforesaid, shall be capable of suing and being sued, pleading and being impleaded in all courts of justice whatsoever; and that it shall be lawful for them and their successors to have a common seal, and the same to change at their pleasure, and shall in general have and exercise all such privileges as are by law incident and necessary to a corporation of this kind, to enable them to carry into effect the designs of this Act; for the benefit and succour and relief of the widows of such clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church aforesaid, agreeably to such rules and by-laws as may be established for the management and payment of annuities to the said widows, and for the education of their children. and settling them in some useful business or profession: Provided also, that any future Legislature may alter, amend or repeal this Act, provided such appeal shall not infringe any vested rights.

JOHN H. KEITH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

DAVID T. DISNEY,
Speaker of the Senate.

February 27, 1834.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SOCIETY.

On the twelfth day of September, 1845, the following clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, assembled in Christ Church, Cincinnati, for the purpose of organizing the Incorporated Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen, viz: Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, Rev. Messrs. Erastus Burr, James B. Britton, Alex. F. Dobb, R. S. Killin, Wm. A. Smallwood, T. B. Fairchild, Alanson Phelps, Joseph Muenschner, Edward Winthrop, Henry Payne, E. H. Canfield, A. T. McMurphey, and Alvah Guion. The Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine was called to the Chair, when the clergymen present proceeded to organize the Society above named, agreeably to the provisions of an Act of Incorporation granted by the Legislature of Ohio, February 27th, A. D. 1834.

The Rev. Mr Muenschner, Chairman of a Committee appointed for that purpose by the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, submitted the annexed Report, embracing the fundamental Laws and Rules of the Society, which, on motion, was unanimously adopted.

The members then proceeded to the election of officers for the year ensuing, when the following were chosen:—

PRESIDENT:

Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D.

TREASURER:

M. W. Stamp, M. D., of Mount Vernon.

SECRETARY:

Rev. Joseph Muenschner, of Mount Vernon.

On motion, it was Resolved, that the Bishop of the Diocese be requested to issue a circular letter, recommending the Society to the attention of the clergy, and the favor of the parishes, and requesting that a contribution be taken up in all the churches of the Diocese, during the conventional year, in aid of the same.

The Society then, on motion, adjourned sine die.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER, Secretary.

✚ The reverend Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio and in the western Dioceses generally, are respectfully invited and requested to become members of this Society, which at a very trifling annual expense to themselves, is designed to afford such a measure of pecuniary aid to their families after their decease, as may materially contribute to their comfort. Communications in relation to the Society must be addressed to the Secretary.

FUNDAMENTAL LAWS.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may become a member of this Corporation, and entitled to all its privileges by depositing with the Treasurer a premium note of \$50, and paying the legal interest thereon in advance.

2. A note may be given for the annual interest on the premium note, if preferred by the contributor, provided the condition of the funds will permit it, and he pay the interest thereon in advance.

3. The premium note shall be subject to requisitions from time to time, to supply

any deficiencies which may arise in the available funds of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

4. Each contributor shall pay his annual contribution to the Corporation on or before the second day of the meeting of the annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, under the penalty of 12½ per cent per annum on the amount due: and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, he shall forfeit his beneficial interest in the institution.

5. The beneficial interest of a contributor shall not commence until after he has made two annual payments.

6. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note, (\$50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, (\$75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note.

7. At the death of a contributor, his premium note shall be cancelled, but the amount for which he may be indebted to the Corporation on other grounds shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

8. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor till one year from the time of his death.

9. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they be twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

10. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time that he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated, and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

11. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them: but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, 21 years; or if a female, 25, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child should die before the mother; or when the child may come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her, during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third, during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among the children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of 21 years, if a male, or 25 if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of 21, and the female or females at the age of 25; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children at the age herein prescribed, shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the

widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all the children, or when they may have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity go to the widow, if she be still alive, and remaining a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, or the term of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

R U L E S ,

FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The Annual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden during the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer, and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex officio.

2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds; and report at the annual meeting.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations, and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.

5. During each annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.

TO THE CLERGY OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

BRETHREN:

I have been requested by the recently organized Society for the Relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen in this Diocese, to address a few words to you in behalf of that institution.

The importance and necessity of a Society, embracing the main features of this, to the families of clergymen, have been felt from the earliest period of the existence of our Church in America. Before the Revolutionary war, there was one which embraced the colonies of New-York, New-Jersey, and Pennsylvania, and which was afterwards divided into three societies, when a distinct diocese was formed in each of these States. Similar institutions have been formed long since in other dioceses, and have been of great benefit. Were it consistent with the constitution of these societies to admit members from any dioceses except those in which they are respectively located, there might be no need of a similar institution in Ohio.—But such is not the case. It has therefore been an object for several years before us, in this Diocese, to have a society of our own for the relief of the families of deceased clergymen. An act of incorporation was obtained some years since; and at

the late Convention, in Cincinnati, a Committee, appointed at the previous Convention to report a plan of organization, made their report; and on the plan therein proposed, a Society was formed, of which almost all the clergy present became members. That plan is now laid before you. Not being myself skilled in such matters, I can only say of it that it has been constructed after a careful collection and study of the principles and rules of all the best institutions of a similar kind, in the United States, by a gentleman who has bestowed much time and labor upon it, and has had the benefit of the counsel of men of experience in financial business. Out of an affectionate interest in your happiness and that of your families, dear Brethren, and under a deep sense of the great need of some such provision where the support of our clergy is so limited at best, so precarious, so dependent on their ability to fulfil the whole of their arduous work, and where so few can expect to lay up any property for the support of their families after their decease, I beg leave to recommend this Society to your adoption.

And as such an object cannot but be one which will commend itself at once to the judgment and hearts of the laity of the parishes, I would recommend that in every parish a collection be made this year for the benefit of the Society, to give it a little endowment at the beginning, the better to secure confidence and ensure its effective operation. I would propose Christmas day for that collection—

And remain, dear Brethren,

Your affectionate friend and brother,

CHARLES P. McILVAINE.

ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS—1845.

Confirmed,	-	-	-	-	205
Ordained,	{	Deacons,	2,		4
	{	Presbyters,	2,		
Churches Consecrated,	-	-	-	-	3
Candidates for Orders,	-	-	-	-	13
Clergy,	{	Received from other Dioceses,	-		6
	{	Removed to other Dioceses,	-		6

ABSTRACT OF THE PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1845.

Baptisms, in 42 Parishes, Infants,	-	263	
Do do Adults,	-	45	
Do do not specified,		39	
Do Extra-parochial, Infants,	-	3	
Do do Adults	-	3—Total,	353

Communicants, in 49 Parishes, Added,	-	-	256
Do do Died, Removed, Suspended, &c.			277
Do do Present number,	-	-	3024
Marriages,	-	-	149
Funerals,	-	-	226
Sunday School Teachers in 24 Parishes,	-	-	336
Sunday School Scholars, do	-	-	2072
Bible Classes in 3 Parishes,	-	-	85

CHURCH IN OHIO.

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“ Erastus Burr.	O. T. Reeves.

TREASURER OF CONVENTION,—Henry B. Curtis, Esq., Mt. Vernon.
SECRETARY OF CONVENTION,—Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Mt. Vernon.

ERRATA.

Page 26, line 22 from top, omit Canfield. On the same page, to the votes on the Resolution as reported by the Committee, add,—All Saints' Church, Portsmouth, Divided.

NOTICE.

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in St. Peter's Church, Delaware, on the first Thursday in August, 1846.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER,

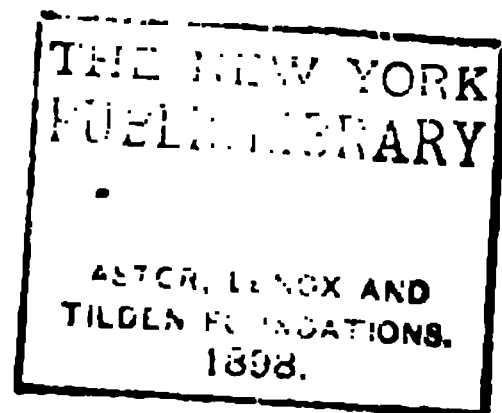
Secretary.



The first Annual Conference of the Presbytery
 was held on the 10th day of June, 1811, at the residence of
 Charles H. Brown, at the first Conference held at
 the residence of the same.

Attest, this 10th day of June, 1811.

JOURNAL
OF THE
PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
OF THE
Protestant Episcopal Church
IN THE
DIOCESE OF OHIO;
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- The Rev. J. T. BROOKE, D.D.,** Rector of Christ Church, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. JOHN L. BRYAN,** Missionary at Hartsgrove, and parts adjacent.
- The Rev. ERASTUS BURR,** Rector of All Saint's Church, Portsmouth.
- The Rev. WILLIAM M. BURTON,** Rector of St. John's Church, Ohio City.
- The Rev. RICHARD BURY.**
- The Rev. E. H. CANFIELD,** Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.
- The Rev. ANSON CLARK,** Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.
- The Rev. WILLIAM CLOTWORTHY,** Deacon, Minister of Bethel Church, Boston.
- The Rev. CHAUNCY COLTON, D.D.,** Principal of the Cincinnati Classical Academy, Cincinnati.
- The Rev. ROBERT G. COX,** Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.
- The Rev. J. W. CRACRAFT,** Deacon.
- The Rev. G. S. DAVIS,** Rector of St. Paul's Church, Medina.
- The Rev. GEORGE DENISON,** Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.
- The Rev. ALEXANDER F. DOBB,** Missionary Agent, under the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.
- The Rev. GEORGE W. DU BOIS,** Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

City.

The Rev. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Deacon, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Granville.

The Rev. GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

The Rev. WILLIAM GRANVILLE, Rector of St. Andrew's Church, Elyria, and Missionary.

The Rev. RICHARD GRAY, Rector of St. James' Church, Cross Creek, and Missionary.

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The Rev. JOHN HALL, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

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The Rev. WILLIAM MILLER, Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Troy, and St. Paul's, Greenville, and Missionary.

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The Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, Rector of St. Paul's Church, ...

The Rev. WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD, Rector of St. James' Church, Zanesville.

The Rev. THOMAS M. SMITH, Milnor Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of Ohio, and Rector of Harcourt Parish, Gambier.

The Rev. CHARLES B. STOUT, Rector of St. Phillip's Church, Circleville.

The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, Rector of Zion Church, Dresden, and Missionary.

The Rev. DAVID W. TOLFORD, residing in Cincinnati.

The Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Milan, and Missionary.

The Rev. OLIVER TAYLOR, Deacon.

The Rev. GEORGE THOMPSON, Deacon, Minister of St. James' Church, Wooster, and Missionary.

The Rev. ALEXANDER VARIAN, Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.

The Rev. ABRAHAM WHEELER, Rector of St. John's Church, Springfield, Jefferson county, and Missionary.

The Rev. M. T. C. WING, Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, and residing at Gambier.

The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

Total 64.

DIOCESE OF OHIO.

JOURNAL OF THE CONVENTION.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH DELAWARE,
Thursday, August 6th, 1846.

This being the day appointed for the annual meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Ohio, the Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. Peter's Church, Delaware, at 10 o'clock, A. M. The Rev. James B. Britton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, read Morning prayers, the Rev. Richard S. Killin, Rector of Grace Church, Cincinnati, read the Lessons, and the Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine, the Ante-communion service. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Alanson Phelps, Rector of Christ Church, Hudson.

After Divine Service, the Bishop took the Chair, and called the Convention to order. A list of the Clergy, constitutionally entitled to seats in the Convention, was then furnished by the Bishop, and read by the Secretary of the last Convention, when the following persons answered to their names :—

LIST OF THE CLERGY

WHO COMPOSED THE CONVENTION.

Rt. Rev. CHARLES PETTIT MCLVAINE, D.D., Bishop.

Rev. William W. Arnett,	Rev. John Hall,
“ Norman Badger,	“ Humphrey Hollis,
“ Alfred Blake,	“ Levi L. Holden,
“ James B. Britton,	“ Richard S. Killin,
“ Sherlock A. Bronson,	“ Albert T. McMurphy,
“ J. T. Brooke, D.D.,	“ Joseph Muenscher,
“ John L. Bryan,	“ Alanson Phelps,
“ Erastus Burr,	“ Henry L. Richards,
“ E. H. Canfield,	“ Alvah H. Sanford,
“ Robt. G. Cox,	“ Wm. A. Smallwood,
“ G. S. Davis,	“ Thos. M. Smith,
“ Geo. Denison,	“ Charles B. Stout,
“ Alex. F. Dobb,	“ Geo. B. Sturges,
“ Abraham Edwards,	“ J. Rice Taylor,
“ Robt. S. Elder,	“ Abraham Wheeler,
“ Lyman H. Freeman,	“ M. T. C. Wing,
“ Wm. C. French,	“ Edward Winthrop.
“ Richard Gray,	Total 35.

The Convention then proceeded to make choice of a Secretary, and the ballot was, on motion, dispensed with. The Rev. Joseph Muenscher, having been nominated, was unanimously re-elected *vi-va voce*. The names of the Parishes entitled to representation in the Convention, were called, and the certificates of the Lay-Delegates were laid upon the Secretary's table.

The Bishop then appointed Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., Rev. Erasmus Burr and Mr. Walter Thrall, the standing Committee of Examination, to whom were referred the Certificates of the Lay-Delegates. The Bishop also appointed the Rev. James B. Britton and Wm. H. Canfield, the Committee on unfinished business.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

Thursday, 2 o'clock P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and after singing and prayer, proceeded to business.

The Rev. Dr. Brooke from the Committee of Examination reported that the following Lay-Delegates were entitled to seats in the Convention.

LAY-DELEGATES TO THE CONVENTION.

Christ Church, Cincinnati, S. G. BROWN,

Grace " " JAS. J. BUTLER.

St. Mark's Church, Newton Falls, HENRY A. DUBOIS.

Zion Church, Dresden, CHAUNCEY A. PARDY, ANDREW CLEMENTS,
BENJ. ADAMS.

St. Matthew's Church, Madison, THOMAS ARMSTRONG.

St. James' do. Wooster, JAMES JOHNSON, HENRY LEHMAN.

Trinity do. Jefferson, A. C. HUBBARD.

St. Paul's do. Akron, FREDERICK WOLCOTT.

Grace do. Sandusky City, GEO. W. CAMPBELL, HENRY
C. CAMPBELL.

St. Matthew's do. Plymouth, BENNETT SEYMOUR.

St. Timothy's do. Massillon, JAMES L. REYNOLDS.

St. Mark's do. Mill Creek, GEO. CARROL.

St. Michael's do. Unionville, LEVERETT B. SEYMOUR.

St. Paul's do. Norwalk, SHEPHERD PATRICK, OBEDIAH JENNEY.

St. Peter's do. Ashtabula, R. W. GRISWOLD, E. C. STRONG,
WELLS BLAKESLEE.

St. Paul's do. Medina, Wm. H. Canfield.

St. Philip's do. Circleville, H. LAWRENCE, JOS. H. GEIGER, J.
N. Terry.

St. Paul's do. Chillicothe, JOHN MADEIRA, JAS. S. SWEARINGEN.

St. Paul's do. Mt. Vernon, M. W. STAMP, EBENEZER ALLING.

St. James' do. Piqua, DEMAS ADAMS, Jr., GEO. C. JOHNSON.

St. Luke's do. Granville, G. B. JOHNSON, W. S. RICHARDS.

Harcourt Parish, Gambier, BENJ. L. LANG, GEO. W. MYERS, A.
G. SCOTT.

Trinity Church, Newark, H. N. STAFFORD.

Grace do. Berkshire, JOSEPH PRINCE, ICHABOD PLUMB, JAS.
B. CRAWFORD.

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati, WM. WOOD, D. B. PEARSON.

Bethel do. Peninsula, HERMAN BRONSON.

Christ do. Springfield, ELISHA MILLS, EDWD. H. CUMMING,
JAS. A. BEAN.

Trinity do. Columbus, WALTER THRALL, JOEL BUTTLES, J.
A. LAZELL.

St. James' do. Kingston, ELIAS BENTON, WILSON ROBINSON.

Trinity do. Cincinnati, WM. S. DRUMMOND.

St. Paul's do. Columbus, HARRIS COWLES, CHAS. R. BRITTON.
I. N. WHITING.

Grace do. Cleveland, GEO. E. FREEMAN, E. F. PUNDER-
SON, NICHOLAS BARTLETT.

Trinity do. Troy, ASA COLEMAN, ASA MAYO.

St. Peter's do. Delaware, C. HOWARD, BENJ. POWERS, SYLVES-
TER LATIMER.

St. John's do. Worthington, S. A. BACON, C. E. BURE, GEO.
McWHIRK.

Christ do. Liverpool, JOSEPH MAYO, JR.

St. Luke's do. Milan, JOHN P. WORSTEL, HAMILTON COLTON,
ALEX. McCLURE.

The Rev. Mr. Britton, from the Committee on unfinished business, made the following report, which, on motion, was laid upon the table.

The Committee on unfinished business, report, that on page 32. of the last Journal, there is a resolution of the Rev. Mr. Winthrop, "that in case of a vacancy, or vacancies, in the delegation to the General Convention the Bishop in connexion with the delegates in attendance on such convention, be and are hereby empowered to supply such vacancy, or vacancies," which was postponed till the next convention.

Also on page 34, on motion of Dr. Brooke, it was resolved, "That a Committee of three be appointed on arrearages due to the contingent and Episcopate funds, and by correspondence with the delinquent parishes, to make such a final settlement of them by relinquishment, reduction, or otherwise, as they may deem expedient. The Bishop appointed Rev. Messrs. Wing, Muenscher and E. Alling that committee, and they have not reported.

On page 19, also, will be found some unfinished business reported by the Committee on that subject the year before, 1. Resolved, that the interests of the Diocese of Ohio, demand a more thorough knowledge of its past legislation, as contained in the journals of its conventions, since its organization.

2. Resolved, That the Secretary, of the Convention, be charged with the duty of preparing a manuscript, or abstract of the Journals of the Convention of the Diocese, from the first to the present time, so as to afford a correct history of the past legislation of the Diocese, without embracing the details of daily proceedings and other matters of mere temporary interest.

JAS. B. BRITTON,
E. H. CANFIELD.

The Bishop then delivered his annual address.

The following persons were, on motion, appointed a committee to

nominate the Standing Committee, viz: Rev. Erastus Burr, Rev. Geo. Denison and Mr. Wolcott, who subsequently reported the following names.

Rev. Jos. Muenschel,
“ M. T. C. Wing,
“ S. A. Bronson,

C. Delano,
M. W. Stamp,
H. L. Thrall.

On motion, the Convention proceeded to the election of Standing Committee and Rev. Mr. Stout, and Mr. Blakeslee, were appointed tellers.

The Secretary announced to the Convention, that he had appointed the Rev. J. Rice Taylor, assistant secretary.

The Bishop announced the appointment of the following Standing Committees.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE,—Rev. Erastus Burr, Dr. M. W. Stamp, Mr. S. G. Brown.

COMMITTEE ON CANONS,—Rev. S. A. Bronson, Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., E. H. Cumming, Dr. Du Bois.

COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS,—Rev. W. W. Arnett, Rev. H. L. Richards, Mr. Jas. L. Reynolds.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Cox, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of striking out the words “shall be,” in the 2nd line of Canon xv., Section 2, and inserting the words “may be.”

On motion of Rev. Mr. Britton, the committee on Canons were instructed to inquire into the expediency of adding to section 2, of of Canon xi., the following clause, “and in all cases a voter in a parish shall be a *bona fide* member thereof, and belong to no other.”

On motion of Rev. Mr. Denison,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a canon requiring each clergyman in the Diocese, having a parochial charge, to take up an annual collection in his Church, for the benefit of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Davis,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to consider the propriety of adopting the following Canon.

CANON.

Of Churches losing their Connexion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.

WHENEVER, hereafter, any Church in union with this Convention, shall neglect, for three years in succession, to make a parochial report, no missionary report being made in its behalf, and, during the same period, shall not employ a Clergyman as its parish Minister, nor obtain the services of a Missionary, nor make stated monthly collections, as required by Canon xiii., of this Diocese: such Church shall be regarded as having forfeited its connexion with the Protestant Episcopal Church, in this Diocese, and be no longer entitled to representation in the Convention thereof; and the Bishop shall report such Church to the Convention in his annual Address. But,

any such Church may be re-admitted into such connexion, on the recommendation of the Bishop, and by a resolution of the Convention. And such re-admission shall take effect, from and after the rising of the Convention which shall have agreed to the same.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Davis,

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be instructed to inquire into the expediency of striking out section 2, of canon xiii., and inserting the following in its place.

CANON XIII.

Section 2. In every parish in this Diocese there shall be monthly collections for Church objects, to be made regularly on the first (or some other) Sunday of each month. It shall be the duty of every Clergyman to give due notice of these collections, and to call the attention of the congregation to their importance and claims. It shall be the duty of the Wardens of any parish, to forward the proceeds of the collections or contributions, to the Missionary and Education Treasurer, designating for what particular church object the contribution is intended, and if no object is thus specified, the amount forwarded shall be subject to appropriation to Diocesan objects.

The Diocesan objects are, Missions: Education: Clergymen's Widows and Orphans Fund.

The Rev. Mr. Burr moved that a Committee be appointed to prepare the form of a Parochial Report for the use of the Clergy of the Diocese.

The Rev. Mr. Muenschler moved the following as a substitute for Mr. Burr's resolution.

Resolved, That the Bishop be respectfully requested to prepare a form of Parochial Report, to be published in the Journal, for the use of the Clergy of the Diocese in making up their parochial reports.

The substitute having been accepted by Rev. Mr. Burr, in place of the original motion, it was put to the convention and carried.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Muenschler, the Committee on Canons were instructed to inquire into the expediency of striking out Section 1, of Canon xi.

On motion of Mr. Cummings,

Resolved, That Section 2, of Canon ii, be referred to the Committee on Canons, with instructions to report the following amendment. After the word "rented," in the fifth line of Section 2, add the following words, "or when pews are not subject to assessment or tax."

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr,

Resolved, That the Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, be respectfully requested to lay before the Convention, the Reports of the Faculties of the Seminary, and Kenyon College, and such other papers as, in their judgment, may be useful in communicating information in relation to the present state of the Seminary and College.

The Tellers appointed to collect the ballots for Standing Committee, reported, that 43 votes had been cast, of which 22 were neces-

sary for a choice; and that the following persons having received that number were duly elected.

Rev. Joseph Muenschel,	C. Delano,
“ M. T. C. Wing,	M. W. Stamp,
“ S. A. Bronson,	H. L. Thrall.

On motion the Convention adjourned to meet to-morrow, immediately after Divine Service, in the forenoon.

Friday, August 7, 1846. }
11 o'clock, A. M. }

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After the roll of the members was called, and the minutes of the preceding day read, and approved, by the direction of the Bishop, the Parochial Reports were laid upon the table, and on motion, the reading of them was made the order of the day, at the opening of the afternoon session.

The Committee of Examination made a verbal report, recommending that St. Luke's Church, Milan, be admitted into union with this Convention. The Report was, on motion, accepted, and St. Luke's Church, Milan, admitted into union with the Convention.

On motion of Mr. Cumming,

Resolved, That this Convention do deem it expedient at this time to request the Bishop to carry out the Canon of the General Convention, entitled, “Of a discretion to be allowed in the calling, trial and examination of Deacons in certain cases,” being the sixth canon of the General Convention of 1844.

After some remarks from the Bishop, the Rev. Dr. Brooke moved the re-consideration of the resolution touching the order of Deacons just adopted, which motion prevailed.

It was then moved that the subject matter of Canon 6, be made the order of the day for to-morrow morning, at the opening of the Convention; and that the question be taken at 11 o'clock. While this motion was pending, the Convention adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

Friday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment, and, after singing and prayer, proceeded to the order of the day, viz: the reading of the Parochial Reports. After the reading was concluded, the motion before the House at the time of the adjournment in the morning, came up for discussion, and was rejected.

Mr. Cumming then renewed his resolution offered in the morning. The Rev. Mr. Davis proposed the following substitute.

Resolved, That this Convention instruct its delegates to the General Convention, to use their influence to so modify the Canon in relation to the ordination of Deacons, as to admit candidates who may perform the office in subordination to a Presbyter, until such times as the Bishop considers them competent to be advanced to the next grade of the ministry, and that the further consideration of this

question be postponed until after the sitting of the next General Convention.

While this resolution was under discussion, the Convention, on motion, adjourned till to-morrow, at 8 o'clock, A. M.

Saturday, 8 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After singing and prayer the roll was called, and the minutes of the preceding day were read and approved. The subject before the Convention, at the time of adjournment yesterday, was again taken up. Mr. Cummings having the floor, gave way for the purpose of allowing certain reports to be presented, and read, and referred.

The Committee of the Board of Trustees, made the following report, which was, on motion, accepted, and referred to a special committee of three, on the Theological Seminary.

REPORT.

The undersigned, a Committee of the Board of Trustees, appointed to communicate to the Convention, the report of the Faculties of the Theological Seminary, and Kenyon College and such other papers as may impart information, respecting the present condition and prospects of those Institutions,—required by resolution of the Convention—respectfully submit the following:—

- 1st, Report of the Professor of Eccl. Pol. and Pastoral Divinity.
- 2nd, “ “ “ “ Divinity.
- 3rd, “ “ “ “ Ecclesiastical History.
- 4th, “ “ “ Instructor in Hebrew.
- 5th, “ “ President of Kenyon College.
- 6th, “ “ the Librarian.

Your Committee would take this opportunity to express their high gratification at what they have seen and heard during a visit of several days at Gambier. The Lord's day services, on that occasion, were all that is desirable, to promote the best interest of the individual soul, and to attach the students to the Church. The *Gospel* being preached, and the rubrics and customs of the Church devoutly observed.

The commencement exercises were highly creditable to both the Faculty and the Graduating Class; and the impression was made upon the mind, that there existed, among the professors, an earnest desire to discharge their responsible duties, for the glory of God, and the improvement of the students, in all that is desirable to be known and practised. That there was nothing which we could have wished *more* perfect, we do not say—but the impression made upon the mind as a whole, was good, *very good*. We believe that the Institutions of the Church, there, are in a good and *healthy* condition, if not as prosperous as we could wish, and that the Theological Seminary, the College and Grammar Schools are fully deserving of what they now *most need and ask, the confidence and patronage of the Church in this Diocese*.

The friends of learning will be gratified to know that the present graduating Class of eight, will compare favorably, with any previous

one; and the friends of religion also may rejoice in the fact of the Theological Seminary offering to the Church, the largest number of Candidates prepared for orders, ever before presented to the Bishop of this Diocese..

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES B. BRITTON, }
JAMES L. REYNOLDS. } *Com.*

The Reports referred to above, are as follows :

1st. Report of the Professor of Ecclesiastical Polity and Pastoral Divinity.

The instructions in this department are confined to the Senior class, in the Theological Seminary, which, on the Church in its essential, spiritual constitution, has studied Pearson on the Holy Catholic Church; Dr. Jackson's Treatise on the Church; and the discourse published by the Professor, on the Holy Catholic Church; with the collateral use of Hooker's 3rd Book of Ecclesiastical Polity.

On the *History of the Visible Church*, with reference to its Polity under the Patriarchal and Jewish dispensations, the class have used a variety of authors, under the direction of a series of written questions, with references to authors, by the Professor. In recitation on these questions, the class have had lectures by the Professor.

On the Constitution, Government, Ministry, &c., of the Visible Church, under the Gospel, the class have studied Burnet on Articles 19, 20, 21 and 23; Jackson on the Church; Potter on Church Government; and Onderdonk's Episcopacy, tested by Scripture; frequent collateral use being made of Hooker's Ecclesiastical Polity; Skinner's Truth and Order; Bowden's Letters, &c..

On the *Worship of the Church*, the class have studied Sinclair's Dissertation on Liturgies; and the history of the English Liturgy and our own, with the aid of various authors. They have read commentaries upon our Liturgy, and have been assisted by lectures from the Professor on those subjects.

On *Preaching*, they have studied Gresley's work. And in regard to that subject, as well as Pastoral Duties in general, they have been instructed by the Professor's Lectures.

The class, in the latter part of their course, have been exercised in the reading of the Liturgy; and during a considerable part of the year, there has been an exercise common to all the students of the Seminary, in which they have been practised in reading the church service, in the rhetorical reading of selected and original discourses, in the delivery of pieces committed to memory, and in extemporaneous speaking, all the Professors participating in the criticisms.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE, Prof. of
Eccl. Pol. and Past. Div.

2nd. Report of the Milnor Professor of Systematic Divinity.

In the department of *Systematic Divinity*, instruction has been given to the Senior class, during the year, in rather more than the last half of the course. The text books which have been used, are Pearson on the Creed; Burnet on the 39 Articles; Knapp's and

Dick's Theology; and Bishop McIlvaine's Oxford Divinity. The class have been referred to those books in the Library which were considered best adapted to give them a correct and thorough view of the several subjects which have come before them.

In the department of Biblical Literature, the Junior class, during the last session, recited to me twice in each week. During the present session, I have met them three times a week, and for a few weeks past, every day, except Saturday. In the course of the year they have recited to me critically and exegetically, a considerable portion of Newcomb's Harmony of the Gospel; the first part of the Epistle to the Romans; and the first part of the Book of Genesis in Hebrew. In addition to the above, they have recited almost the whole of the 2nd volume of Horne's Introduction, containing the principles of Interpretation; and that portion of the 1st volume which contains the analysis of the books of the Old Testament.

It gives me great pleasure to bear testimony to the zeal and diligence with which both classes have pursued their studies; and to their correct deportment in every particular, since they have been under my instruction.

Very respectfully,

THOS. M. SMITH, Milnor Prof. of Div.

3rd. *Report of the Professor of Ecclesiastical History.*

It should have been mentioned that the Senior class have been required to prepare dissertations on some of the most important subjects in their course, and to read them in the lecture room.

With the Professor of Ecclesiastical History, the Junior class has read Scripture Geography and Jewish Antiquities in Horne's Introduction; Jahn's Hebrew Commonwealth; and Henry's Christian Antiquities.

The Senior class has read in Ecclesiastical History, the 3rd volume of Mosheim, embracing the period of the Lutheran Reformation with the History of the Romish, Reformed and Lutheran Churches since—and also the History of the English church from its first planting, to the period of the Revolution A.D. 1688—as embraced in the work of Bishop Short.

M. T. C. WING, Prof. of Eccl. Hist.

4th. *Report of the Instructor in Hebrew.*

The Instructor in Hebrew reports that during the greater part of the year, he has instructed the Junior class in Hebrew, giving them five recitations per week. They have read with a view to grammatical construction, eighteen chapters of Genesis in Hebrew.

S. A. BRONSON, Instructor.

5th. *Report of the President of Kenyon College.*

The course of study as prescribed, has been fully carried out in all the departments. There is ample evidence of faithfulness and ability on the part of all who are engaged in instruction. The Professor of Chemistry, &c., is now enabled so to devote himself to his department that he is beginning to make his influence felt in behalf of the Institution. His talents, with such advantages as he possesses,

have placed the department of Physics, upon an equality with that of any Institution in the West. The Mathematical department is carried on with the usual well known ability and success of the officer at its head. In the Classics there is a manifest improvement. The department of Latin is conducted by Professor Wing, of whose qualifications I need not speak. The department of Greek is conducted by Mr. L. W. Davis, a young man of ability as a teacher, and of distinguished prudence in his intercourse with the students.* The Preparatory departments are conducted with undiminished zeal, and a very gratifying progress in study has been manifested by the pupils in the recent examinations. The discipline of the institution is well sustained. I testify with pleasure to the very general good conduct of the members of the Institution.

S. A. BRONSON,
President.

6th. *Report of the Librarian.*

BEXLEY HALL, May 4th, 1846.

To the Trustees of the Theo. Seminary in the Diocese of Ohio :

GENTLEMEN: In giving up my charge of the Library, which I have had for the last 10 months, I feel that I am relinquishing a source of great pleasure and I trust of no inconsiderable profit, though it be not pecuniary.

With regard to the state of the Library, at present, I have little to say. There are in it now 4270† volumes, excluding 13 odd volumes, and reviews and various miscellaneous unbound publications. I have received, by donations, volumes, as may be seen in the Register. As you may be aware, the books had just been removed from the College to Bexley Hall when I took charge of them, and of necessity the order of arrangement was lost, so that I began an entirely new arrangement, according to the subjects as near as possible to the order in the Catalogue, having reference to the size and appearance of the books.

The arrangement of the shelves is thus: I call each tier of shelves a Section, that they may be numbered around the room, beginning at the left hand side; and the shelves in each section lettered *a, b, &c.*, beginning at the bottom.

Though I have not quite finished the separation of the books of the 2d and 3d divisions, the others are, I think, nearly correct. If it were proper for me to make any suggestions, I would say that a small appropriation, say 10 or 15 dollars, might be put to very good use, if judiciously done, in painting and lettering the shelves, and in pasting some strong glazed paper on many valuable books which are bound in boards, but now appear very ill among the others. Hoping that my successor may be able to complete the arrangement which I have begun, and in time make a new catalogue, I would respectfully resign my charge of so valuable a trust.

GEORGE THOMPSON, Librarian.

* Since the above Report, the Rev. Alexander F. Dobb, late Rector of Trinity Church, Columbus, has been appointed Professor of the Greek and Latin languages.

† More than a hundred volumes have been added since this report was made.

The Rev. Mr. Bronson presented the following report of the Missionary and Education Committee, which was, on motion, accepted, and referred to the standing Committee on Missions.

REPORT,

Of the Missionary and Education Committee.

The appropriations from this Committee during the past year have been as follows:—

For the support of five Missionaries, laboring at some ten different places,	\$500,00
For the education of 8 young men for the ministry,	570,00
Making in all	<hr/> \$1070,00

How far these appropriations have been met by the receipts, will be made known by the Treasurer's report. It was found necessary to adopt some plan of extending the operations of the Committee as well as of enabling it to discharge its present liabilities. For these purposes the Rev. A. F. Dobb and the Secretary have been appointed agents to travel two or three months in the Diocese, to awaken an interest in the cause of Missions and Education for the ministry, and collect funds. Respectfully submitted.

S. A. BRONSON, *Secretary.*

After further discussion in relation to the canon on the Diaconate.. Rev. Dr. Brooke moved the previous question, which motion was carried.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Muenscher, the resolution offered by Rev. Mr. Davis was divided. The question being taken on the first clause, which is as follows:

Resolved, 'That the further consideration of canon vi., of 1844, be postponed till after the sitting of the next General Convention,' it was rejected. The remaining portion of the resolution was then withdrawn by the mover.

The Convention then proceeded to vote on the original resolution offered by Mr. Cumming, when, at the request of five members, the vote was ordered to be taken by Orders and by Parishes. The following is the vote of the Convention.

CLERGY.

AYES.

Rev. William W. Arnett,	Rev. Richard Gray,
“ Norman Badger,	“ John Hall,
“ Alfred Blake,	“ Levi L. Holden,
“ James B. Britton,	“ Richard S. Killen,
“ Sherlock A. Bronson,	“ Alanson Phelps,
“ J. T. Brooke, D.D.,	“ Wm. A. Smallwood,
“ E. H. Canfield,	“ Charles B. Stout,
“ Geo. Denison,	“ Geo. B. Sturges,
“ Alex. F. Dobb,	“ J. Rice Taylor,
“ Abraham Edwards,	“ Edward Winthrop.
“ Robt. S. Elder,	Total 21.

NAYS.

Rev. John L. Bryan,
 " Erastus Burr,
 " Robert G. Cox,
 " G. S. Davis,
 " Lyman N. Freeman,
 " William C. French,
 " Humphrey Hollis,

Rev. Joseph Muenschner,
 " Henry L. Richards,
 " Alvah Sandford,
 " Thomas M. Smith,
 " Abraham Wheeler.
 'Total 12.

PARISHES.

AYES.

Grace Church Cincinnati,
 Christ's " Cincinnati,
 St. Mark's, Newton Falls,
 St. Mathew's, Madison,
 St. James', Wooster,
 St. Mathew's, Plymouth,
 St. Timothy's, Massillon,
 St. Mark's, Mill Creek,
 St. Michael's, Unionville,
 St. Paul's, Norwalk,
 St. Peter's, Ashtabula,
 St. Phillip's, Circleville,

St. Paul's, Chillicothe,
 St. Luke's, Granville,
 Harcourt Parish, Gambier,
 Trinity, Newark,
 Christ's, Springfield,
 Bethel, Boston,
 Trinity, Columbus,
 St. James', Kingston,
 Trinity, Cincinnati,
 Trinity, Troy,
 St. Luke's, Milan.
 'Total 23.

NAYS.

Zion, Dresden,
 Trinity, Jefferson,
 St. Paul's, Akron,
 Grace, Sandusky city,
 St. Paul's, Medina,
 St. James', Piqua,
 Grace, Berkshire,
 St. Paul's, Cincinnati,
 St. Paul's, Columbus,

Grace, Cleveland,
 Christ's, Liverpool.
 'Total 11.

DIVIDED.

St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,
 St. John's, Worthington,
 St. Peter's, Delaware.
 'Total 3.

A majority of both orders having voted in favor of the Resolution, it was declared to be adopted. The Bishop announced the names of Rev. Mr. Arnett, Rev. Mr. Richards and Mr. Swearingen as the committee on the Theological Seminary, to whom the Report from the Board of Trustees was referred.

Rev. Mr. Smallwood submitted the following proposition,

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention of the Diocese be held in St. James' Church, Zanesville.

Rev. Mr. Stout moved that the resolution of Mr. Smallwood be amended by striking out the words "St. James' Church, Zanesville," and inserting the words St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.

The vote being taken on the amendment, it was lost. The Rev. Mr. Smallwood's resolution was, on motion, adopted.

The Bishop nominated Rev. Mr. Blake, Rev. Mr. Davis and Dr. Wood, the Committee for nominating Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Cumming,

Resolved, That the Bishop of this Diocese be requested to furnish for publication so much of his annual address of the present year as treats of the requirements and customs of the church in regard to the table to be used at the communion as distinguished from what are called altars, and that 500 copies of the same be immediately printed for circulation.

The Treasurer of the Convention presented his report, which, on motion, was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Rev. Mr. Muenschler laid upon the Table an Abstract of the Journals of the Convention, prepared by resolution of a former convention.

On motion the Convention adjourned till 2 o'clock P. M.

Saturday, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. The Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the Theological Seminary, reported the following names :

CLERGY.

Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood,
 " Erastus Burr,
 " George Denison,
 " J. T. Brooke, D.D.,
 " Alex. F. Dobb,
 " James B. Britton,

LAITY.

S. W. Pomeroy,
 Edw. H. Cumming,
 Hoel Lawrence,
 Columbus Delano,
 James B. Cushing,
 T. W. Rogers.

The Rev. Mr. Muenschler offered the following as a substitute for the third Article of the Constitution, which, on motion, was ordered to lie over until the next Convention.

Proposed substitute for Article 3rd, of the Constitution.

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen.—The Bishop, and Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and every other minister of the Church, canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this convention—or employed as a Missionary, or Agent, under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese, or of the General Board of Missions,—or regularly employed as President, Professor or Instructor in some College or Seminary of learning, and performing clerical functions,—or who is prevented by age and infirmities, from the public services of the ministry, shall be a member of this convention; provided, that he has been, at least, six months canonically resident in the diocese.

Each regularly organised church or congregation in canonical union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the convention, one or more lay-delegates, communicants of the same, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. The delegates from each congregation, or church, shall be entitled to one vote. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process, shall be admitted to a seat in the Convention.

The Report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was, on motion, taken from the table.

The Resolution of Rev. Mr. Winthrop inserted on page 32 of the last Convention, was, on motion, taken up and rejected.

The following persons were added to the Committee on the arrearages due to the Contingent and Episcopate funds, appointed at the last convention, viz :

Rev. Messrs. Denison and Killin, and Messrs. Patrick and Canfield.

The Delegates elected to the General Convention by the last Diocesan Convention were nominated as candidates for election, by this Convention.

The Convention, on motion, resolved to proceed to the election of Delegates, and Rev. Mr. French and Mr. Dooley were appointed Tellers.

Mr. Alling, from the Committee on arrearages, made a report, which on motion, was accepted, and referred to the Committee on Finance : and the same committee was requested to continue another year, in order to complete the business for which they were appointed.

The Committee on Canons made the following report, which was accepted and considered in detail, and, after some amendments, was adopted as follows.

The Committee on Canons respectfully report that they have agreed to recommend the following alterations in the existing canons, viz :

In Canon 1, Section 2. After the words "jointly to one vote," place a semicolon, instead of the period, and add the words, nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a *bona fide* member. After the word "rented," insert the words, or when pews are held subject to no tax, or assessment.

Canon 6, Section 3. Strike out all after the word "statement," and insert : of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

Canon 15. Section 2. Strike out all, and substitute as follows :— A communicant wishing to change his parochial connexion shall be required to present to the minister to whose parish he wishes to remove, a certificate of good standing, as a communicant, from the minister of the parish with which he was last connected, or, in case of there being no minister therein, from one of the Wardens.

But if the applicant be unprovided with such certificate, and assign a satisfactory reason therefor, the minister to whom he applies, may admit him as a communicant, provided, that upon examination of the case there appear no impediment affecting his moral or religious character.

Respectfully submitted.

S. A. BRONSON, Chairman.

On motion it was resolved to proceed to the election of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, and Rev. Mr. Elder and Mr. Butler were appointed Tellers. The members of the Missionary and Education Committee of the last year were nominated as the Committee for the present year, with the exception of the substitution of Rev. Thomas M. Smith for Rev. J. Sandels. Balloting being, on motion, dispensed with, the nomination was confirmed.

On motion, the Convention resolved to proceed to the election of Treasurer. H. B. Curtis, Esq., having been nominated, was unani-

mously re-elected. The Committee on Finance made the following report, which was, on motion, accepted.

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the report of the Treasurer, submits as follows:

That they have examined the several accounts embraced in the Treasurer's report, and the vouchers in support of the various items charged against the Diocese, and find them correct and satisfactory.

The Committee also report in relation to the Episcopal fund that they are grieved to find it in a less prosperous state than it was at the last convention, the arrears thereto having increased. The actual balance due the Bishop is now larger by \$113,73, than last year, viz: \$458,93.

In view of this increased deficiency, the Committee would urge upon the Convention the necessity of taking some decided and efficient action, to ensure a more punctual payment for the future. It is greatly to the discredit of the Diocese, and is calculated to convey a wrong impression abroad of the estimation in which the services of the Bishop are regarded, to be thus dilatory in making up the amount which is justly due.

On the general fund the receipts have been \$297,12 being \$157,58 less than the expenses for the year, making it necessary that the sum of \$378 should be actually paid in before the next convention, in order to defray the outstanding debts of the fund, for the past year, and the estimated expenses of the current year. All which is

Respectfully submitted,

ERASTUS BURR, Chairman.

The Convention then took up the subject of the deficiency in the salary for the support of the Episcopate, when the parishes were severally called upon to state what per cent. of their delinquencies will be paid.

On motion of Dr. Brooke,

Resolved, That the parishes represented in this convention, which have pledged themselves to pay a certain per centum of their delinquencies to the Episcopate Fund, shall be released from the payment of the balance of arrearages, provided the sum pledged be paid in thirty days: and that such delinquent parishes as are not represented, which shall pay a certain per centum on their arrearages, within the same time, shall be in like manner discharged.

On motion of Mr. Thrall,

Resolved, That the delinquent parishes to the general fund be released from their delinquent liabilities, by their paying the Treasurer of said fund, within sixty days, the same proportion of said delinquency that has been pledged and authorised to be received in discharge of the episcopate fund.

On motion, Messrs. Medary, Reynolds and Thrall were added to the Committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Richards, it was

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance be instructed to make

the assessment for the support of the Episcopate with reference to a salary of \$2000, and that the same be paid to the Bishop.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till 7½ o'clock P. M.

Saturday evening, 7½ o'clock.

The Convention assembled pursuant to adjournment. After singing and prayer, the calling of the roll was, on motion, dispensed with.

The vote for the Delegates to the General Convention being called for, the Tellers reported that 61 votes had been cast, and that the following persons having received a majority of that number, were elected, viz :

CLERGY.	LAITY.
Rev. James B. Britton,	W. K. Bond,
“ Erastus Burr,	Walter Thrall,
“ Wm. A. Smallwood,	H. L. Noble,
“ J. T. Brooke, D.D.	O. T. Reeves.

The Rev. Mr. Richards from the Committee on Missions presented the following report,

The Committee on Missions having examined the annual report of the Missionary and Education Committee which was referred to them, as also the report of the Treasurer for the past year, regret to learn that there has been, as usual, a failure on the part of the Church in this Diocese, to meet its wants. The expenses of the committee are found to exceed the income by \$160.72. This, it is believed, is not right, and it becomes a question of very serious moment whether this state of things shall be allowed to continue in the Diocese. It is the firm conviction of the committee that the wants of our own Diocese should be provided for first. This is the portion of the vineyard in which the Master hath placed us to labour, and which, by every consideration of duty, and interest, and propriety, we are bound most fully and thoroughly to cultivate. They do not mean by this to be understood as wishing to withdraw attention from foreign objects ; on the contrary, they would be glad to see more interest and zeal manifested in the great work of bringing the whole world to the knowledge and obedience of the truth. What they desire and what they would urge upon the members of this convention, and, through them, upon the church at large, in the Diocese, is the serious consideration of the question whether we ought not, above all things, first to provide amply for the wants of the Missionary work in our own Diocese. No doubt we are abundantly able to do that, and yet contribute much towards the preaching of the everlasting gospel, and establishing Christ's Holy Church in heathen lands. But at all events let us take care of our own heathen, before we allow our sympathies and efforts to be expended for those beyond our borders. The appointment of agencies by the committee for the collection of funds “ to enable them to extend their operations as well as to discharge their present liabilities ” was, perhaps, the best plan that could be adopted to meet the present exigency. And the Committee cannot but express the hope, and they would take occasion, if necessary, to urge upon every clergyman and

every parish in the Diocese, that they be prepared to meet the appeal of the agents with a hearty and liberal response. At the same time they are deeply impressed with the conviction, that the only permanent and reliable foundation upon which the church can build in her missionary operations, is that of regular, stated, systematic contribution. Let the advice and recommendations so often urged by those in authority, be generally adopted and acted upon by the Clergy of the church, and we cannot doubt that the stream of benevolent contribution will gradually become wider and deeper, till it shall be amply sufficient for the supply, not only of our own wants, but also of the wants of multitudes of the destitute in other lands. The particular plan is perhaps not of so much importance. Let there be *some* plan of regular systematic contribution adopted in every parish. Let the experiment be thoroughly and faithfully tried, even by those who lack confidence in this mode of raising funds, and it is fully believed that the result will be as surprising to those who make the experiment as it will be beneficial to the interests of the blessed work we are seeking to promote. No doubt there is a lamentable want of interest in the missionary work, pervading our whole Diocese, and, indeed, the whole church. Indifference abounds and the love of many waxes cold. But it is believed that the general adoption of a systematic plan of benevolent contribution, will serve most powerfully to awaken increased interest and zeal, at the same time that it will afford an adequate channel and give direction, permanency and efficiency to the feelings of benevolence that already exist. It seems to be a hopeless task to exhort men to the great duty of benevolence, while you leave them to mere impulse and inclination as to the time and mode of contribution. What we want is system, stability, regularity, something that shall cultivate in the members of our church a *habit* of benevolence, something that shall lead them to sit down and soberly, seriously, conscientiously ask themselves how much they ought—nay how much it is their privilege to give, of the substance with which, as stewards of God, they have been entrusted, for the promotion of his kingdom and glory, and then to give it punctually and statedly. In commencing this work in any parish, it would, perhaps, be well for the clergyman to make out a list of the members of his congregation, and call upon each, and ascertain how much he will give statedly, and keep a regular account of the payments as they shall be made. This plan has been found in several instances to work well. It has the advantage of securing the regular payment of a certain sum, which, if left to the cold hearts and treacherous memories of communicants, would be too often overlooked and forgotten. In conclusion, the committee would offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be earnestly recommended to all the clergy and parishes of this Diocese, who have not already done so, to adopt some plan of regular, systematic contribution to Missionary objects.

W. W. ARNETT,
H. L. RICHARDS,
J. L. REYNOLDS.

On motion, the Report and accompanying resolution were adopted.

The Tellers appointed to count the votes for Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary, reported that the following persons had been elected.

Rev. Wm. A. Smallwood,	E. H. Cumming,
“ George Denison,	J. L. Keynolds,
“ J. T. Brooke, D.D.	C. Delano,
“ Alex. F. Dobb,	T. W. Rogers,
“ Erastus Burr,	S. W. Pomieroy.
“ J. B. Britton.	

There being one vacancy, Henry Dubois, M.D., was nominated and elected.

The Committee on the Theological Seminary, to whom was referred the Report of the Trustees, made the following report, which, with the accompanying resolutions, was, on motion, adopted.

The committee to whom was referred the report of the Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, beg leave respectfully to report that they have examined the report referred to them, together with the reports of the Professors in the Seminary, the President of the College, and the Librarian.

Your Committee would take the present opportunity of stating, that the communications alluded to, contain information of the most satisfactory and encouraging character, exhibiting a state of things in our diocesan institutions, eminently calculated to secure the confidence and patronage of the diocese, and the friends of the church in general. This patronage, we trust, and feel encouraged to hope, will be freely given. For the decidedly healthful and encouraging state of our institutions for the promotion of sound learning and pure religion, the diocese is principally indebted, under the blessing of Almighty God, to the ability, fidelity and perseverance, with which the several officers thereof have discharged their respective trusts. And, your committee rejoice to know that they have not labored in vain, or without witnessing the most encouraging fruits of their zeal and fidelity, in the commendable improvement of the students in academical and theological learning, in piety and love for the church and conformity to its order and worship. Churchmen of the diocese of Ohio—many destitute parishes, speedily after the ordinations of to-morrow, to be supplied with the ministry of the word, should know to what, and to whom, under God, they are indebted for this timely supply—this unusually large accession of well furnished laborers, about to enter the ripened harvest-field; and their attention should be turned to our Theological Seminary, not only in gratitude and thankfulness, for the fruit it has already yielded, but in awakened interest and affection which shall seek to promote its increased prosperity, and with enlarged liberality, by which many pious young men, through the aid of the missionary and education committee, shall be enabled to avail themselves of the sound instruction there given. These objects are earnestly recommended to the consideration of the clergy and laity.

Your committee beg leave to offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the highly encouraging state of the literary and religious institutions of the diocese at Gambier, is such as should secure

the united confidence and patronage of churchmen throughout the Diocese.

Resolved, That the report of the committee of the board of trustees, together with the documents accompanying it, be entered upon and printed with the journals of this convention.

W. W. ARNETT,
H. L. RICHARDS,
J. S. SWEARINGEN.

The report of the Committee on Finance made to the Convention in the morning, was, on motion, adopted.

The Committee on Finance made the following report in relation to assessments, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee appointed to make an assessment of the parishes for the Episcopate and General Fund have discharged that duty with the best care and judgment they could bring to the subject, and report as follows :

	Episcop.	Gen'l.	Total.
St. Peter's,.....Ashtabula.....	45	10	55
St. Paul's,.....Akron,.....	37	4	41
Grace,.....Berkshire,.....	12	3	15
St. James,.....Bardonia,.....	20	5	25
Bethel,.....Boston,.....	5	1	6
St. James,.....Batavia,.....	2	1	3
Christ Church,.....Cincinnati.....	251	50	300
St. Paul's,.....do.....	175	30	205
Trinity,.....do.....	20	5	25
Grace,.....do.....	21	5	25
Trinity,.....Cleveland,.....	125	20	145
Grace,.....do.....	20	2	22
Trinity,.....Columbus,.....	90	20	110
St. Paul's,.....do.....	40	10	50
St. Paul's,.....Cincinnati,.....	90	15	105
St. John's,.....Cuyahoga Falls,.....	25	5	30
St. Phillip's,.....Circleville,.....	5	8	58
Zion,.....Circleville,.....	2	1	3
St. Luke's,.....Columbia,.....	3	1	4
St. James',.....Cross Creek,.....	2	5	25
St. Peter's,.....Delaware,.....	50	8	58
Christ,.....Dayton,.....	50	8	58
St. John's,.....Dover,.....	5	1	6
Zion,.....Dresden,.....	8	2	10
St. Andrews,.....Elyria,.....	5	2	7
St. Stephen's,.....E. Liverpool,.....	3	1	3
St. Paul's,.....Euclid,.....	1	1	6
St. Luke's,.....Granville,.....	25	5	30
Harcourt,.....Gambier,.....	6		63
St. Stephen's,.....Grafton,.....	5	2	7
Christ,.....Huron,.....	13	2	12
Christ,.....Hudson,.....	15	4	19
St. Matthew's,.....Hamilton,.....	5	1	6
Trinity,.....Jefferson,.....	5	1	6
Trinity,.....Lyme,.....	5	1	6
Christ,.....Liverpool,.....	3	1	4
St. Paul's,.....Lower Sandusky,.....	13	3	13
St. John's,.....Laurel,.....			
St. Luke's,.....Marietta,.....	25	5	30
St. Paul's,.....Mt. Vernon,.....	60	10	70

St. Timothy's,	Massillon,	30	5	35
St. Mark's,	Mill Creek,	10	2	12
St. Paul's,	Medina,	30	5	35
St. Matthew's,	Madison,	10	2	12
St. Paul's,	Maumee,	10	2	12
Trinity,	Newark,	40	10	50
St. Paul's,	Norwalk,	35	6	41
St. Mark's,	Newton Falls,	20	4	24
St. John's,	Ohio City,	15	4	19
St. James',	Painesville,	35	6	41
St. James',	Piqua,	55	10	65
All Saints,	Portsmouth,	60	10	70
St. Matthew's,	Plymouth,	5	1	6
Christ,	Penfield,	2	1	3
St. Peter's,	Rome,	2	1	3
Christ,	Springfield,	25	4	29
St. Paul's,	Steubenville,	50	10	60
St. Phillip's,	Strongsville,	5	1	6
Grace,	Sandusky City,	40	7	47
St. John's,	Springfield, Jefferson co.,	5	1	6
St. Thomas,	St. Clairsville,	5	1	6
Trinity,	Troy,	10	2	12
Trinity,	Toledo,	25	4	29
St. Michael's,	Unionville,	2	1	3
St. Paul's,	Utica,			
St. John's,	Worthington,	12	3	15
Christ,	Warren,	20	4	24
St. James',	Wooster,	15	3	18
St. John's,	Wakeman,	5	1	6
Christ,	Windsor,	2	1	3
St. James,	Zanesville,	85	12	97
St. James',	Kingston,	3	1	4
St. David's,	Centreville,	5	1	6
Calvary,	Pittsfield,	2	1	3
St. Luke's,	Milan,	5	1	6
St. Alban's,	Deersville,	5	1	6

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All which is respectfully submitted.

ERASTUS BURR, *Ch'm Com.*

On motion, the report was ordered to be published in the Western Episcopalian.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Smallwood,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be, and they are hereby affectionately tendered to the congregation of St. Peter's Church, and to the citizens of Delaware generally, for their christian hospitality and kindness to the members of the Convention at its present session.

On motion, *Resolved*, That the Secretary be instructed to publish 750 copies of the Journal.

On motion. *Resolved*, That the Western Episcopalian, edited by Rev. Joseph Mucnscher, is entitled to the confidence of the church, and is hereby recommended to the increased patronage of the Diocese.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr, *Resolved*, That the Committee on arrearages be discharged.

On motion of Dr. Brooke,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the

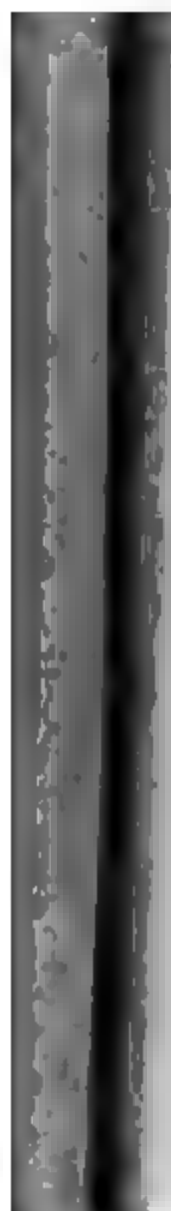
Secretary and Treasurer for the very faithful and satisfactory manner in which they have discharged the duties of their respective offices.

The Convention, after singing and prayer, on motion, adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. MCILVAINE, *President*.

Attest, JOSEPH MUENSCHER, *Secretary*.

A P P E N D I X .



BISHOP McILVAINE'S ADDRESS.

Brethren of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Ohio :

I proceed to furnish you with my annual account of the state of the Church in this Diocese. so far as it may appear from a statement of my official proceedings since we last met. And as I shall wish to occupy a good deal of your attention with subjects proper to be laid before you, when I shall have finished that statement, I will proceed to it, without any preliminary remarks.

The following are the parishes which I have visited since the last Convention, viz : St. Paul's, Medina; Christ's ch., Penfield; St. Stephen's, Grafton; Christ's ch., Liverpool; St. Luke's, Columbia; St. Philip's, Strongville; Trinity, Cleveland; St. John's, Ohio City; St. John's, Dover; St. Andrew's, Elyria; St. John's, Wakeman; St. Paul's, Norwalk; St. Luke's, Milan; Trinity, Lyme; Christ's ch. Huron; Grace ch., Sandusky City; St. Paul's, L. Sandusky; Trinity, Toledo; St. Paul's, Maumee City; St. Paul's, Mount Vernon; Harcourt Parish, Gambier; St. David's, Centerville; St. Luke's, Marietta; Pomeroy; St. Paul's, Steubenville; St. John's, Springfield, Jefferson co.; St. James', Cross Creek; St. Alban's, Deersville; St. Mark's, Mill Creek; St. James', Wooster; St. Timothy's, Massillon; St. Paul's, Akron; Christ's ch., Franklin; Christ's ch., Hudson; Bethel ch., Boston; St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; St. James', Boardman; St. Stephen's, Canfield; St. Mark's, Newton Falls; Christ ch., Warren; St. Peter's, Rome; St. Paul's, Hartsgrove; Trinity, Jefferson; St. Matthew's, Plymouth; St. Peter's, Ashtabula; St. Michael's, Unionville; St. James', Painesville; St. Paul's, Euclid.

The confirmations have been as follows :—Medina 2; Penfield 5; Liverpool 2; Cleveland 2; Ohio City 3; Elyria 1; Wakeman 2; Norwalk 10; Sandusky City 11; Lower Sandusky 18; Toledo 13; Mount Vernon 11; Gambier, at two confirmations, 12; Pomeroy 7; Marietta 1; Steubenville 5; Springfield, Jefferson co., 1; Cross Creek 4; Deersville 11; Akron 9; Hudson 8; Cuyahoga Falls 2; Boardman 7; Jefferson 7; Ashtabula 18; Unionville 1; Painesville 4; Euclid 1.

Number of Parishes visited,	48
Number of Parishes in which there have been persons presented for confirmation,	28
Number of persons confirmed,	175

The Ordinations, since my last address to the Convention, have been that of G. B. Berry M.D., a candidate transferred to this Diocese by the Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania; and that of Wm. C. French, both admitted to the order of Deacons.

The number of candidates for Orders is at present eighteen, viz; George Thompson, C. F. Lewis, Wm. Miller, G. W. Dubois, David Elder, O. Taylor, Charles Arey, W. H. Barris, R. K. Nash, J. W. Craycraft, T. S. Goodwin, Hiram Bishop, Wm. Clotworthy, Thos. B. Dooley, A. D. Benedict, R. S. Nash, T. B. Lawson and Lucius Mills.

Of these, eight are expecting to be admitted to Deacon's Orders, on Sunday next; all of whom have been, to the present period, students at our Diocesan Theological Seminary.

Four new Churches have been consecrated during the year, viz: St. Philip's, Strongville; St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky; Trinity ch., Toledo; and Trinity ch., Cincinnati.

There have been received into this Diocese, by letters dimissory from the Bishops of other Dioceses, the Rev. Thomas M. Smith, from Massachusetts, who is now the Professor of Divinity in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, and Rector of Harcourt Parish, Gambier; the Rev. Alexander Varian, from Pennsylvania, who has taken charge of the parish of Grace Church, Cleveland, and the Rev. Anson Clark, from Indiana, who has taken charge of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

There have left this Diocese, by letters dimissory, the following, viz: the Rev. John Swan, removed to the Diocese of Kentucky; the Rev. W. I. Bakewell, to the Diocese of Western N. York; the Rev. John Sandels, to that of Tennessee; the Rev. Thos. B. Fairchild, to that of Indiana, and the Rev. Samuel Marks, to that of Wisconsin.

The following changes have taken place within the Diocese, viz: the Rev. D. I. Burger has resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Toledo, and taken that of St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; the Rev. Abraham Bronson, has resigned the charge of Bethel Church, Boston, and is now Missionary under the Ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese; the Rev. Wm. Granville has resigned the charge of St. James, Boardman; the Rev. Alvah Guion, has resigned the charge of St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls; the Rev. Alex. McLeod, soon after the last convention, resigned the charge of St. Phillip's, Circleville; the Rev. Henry Payne has resigned the charge of St. James, Piqua; the Rev. Charles B. Stout has resigned the charge of St. James, Painesville, and taken that of St. Phillip's, Circleville; the Rev. George B. Sturges has resigned St. Paul's, Maumee City, and taken a Missionary charge embracing the parishes of Zion Church, Dresden, St. Matthew's, Madison, and St. Mark's, Mill Creek; the Rev. D. W. Tolford has resigned the parishes of Trinity Church, Troy, and St. Paul's, Greenville; the Rev. Alex. Dobb has resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Columbus, and is now a Missionary agent in behalf of the Missionary and Education Committee.

Sabin Hough, late Rector of St. Paul's Norwalk, having signified to me his renunciation of the ministry, was, on the 12th of June, dis-

placed from the same, for causes not affecting his moral character, under the provision of the 38th Canon, of the General Convention.

Notice has been given, for some weeks past, in the Western Episcopalian, that all licenses of Lay-Readers, hitherto issued, will be considered as terminating at this convention. This is for the purpose of placing the matter of Lay Reading upon a footing more capable of regulation, than it has been on before. I shall be ready to give licenses during the present sitting of the convention, and afterwards. Application for license must be made to me in writing by the Minister of the parish in which the person for whom it is desired, is resident; or if the parish have no minister, by a majority of the vestry thereof; and it must certify that the person in whose behalf it is made is a communicant, in full standing of said parish.

I am happy to say that the past year has been one of much satisfaction as to the internal condition of our College and Theological Seminary. While the number of students in Kenyon College has been slowly increasing, and the prospect of a more rapid increase has been encouragingly brightening; there has been among them a most gratifying continuance of good order and attention to right discipline, as well as of diligence and improvement in study. The exertions of the Faculty to make full proof of their stewardship, and especially of the President, who most truly has not spared himself, have been such as to merit all the effective patronage and encouragement the Diocese can give. I think it may most truly be said that there has never been a year in the history of the College, during which there has been united so much harmony, so much general and cheerful minding of duty and so much mutual satisfaction and good will between officers and students, as that which has just closed.

In the Theological Seminary, the several departments of study have been all systematically attended to on the part of Professors and students. The Rev. Thomas M. Smith, who was elected to the chair of Milnor Professor of Divinity, about the time of the last Convention, entered upon the duties of that office in the beginning of December, and has since been very diligently and efficiently at work in contributing his share to the preparation of candidates for orders for the ministry of Christ.

Having been myself a Professor in the Theological Seminary, it does not become me to speak as freely of the discharge of duty there as I have of that in the College. I may say, however, of those with whom I have labored in that institution, that they have been faithful to their work; and of the students, that they have diligently improved their opportunities of study, and have in a very manifest degree exhibited to their instructors the most encouraging advancement in preparation for the work to which, they trust, God has called them.

And here, in expectation of soon changing my place of residence from Gambier to the vicinity of Cincinnati, I think it well to say a few words on that head.

In the first place, as to the department of instruction which I have occupied in the Theol. Sem. The Convention is aware that, during almost all the years that I have resided at Gambier, I have gratuitously, and as a matter of volunteer employment, sustained, so far as my

Diocesan duties allowed, the Professorship of Ecclesiastical Polity and Pastoral Divinity. It will of course be out of my power from the place of my contemplated residence, to make the same contribution hereafter to the instructions of the Seminary. But the department will not be neglected. It will henceforth be in part divided between two of the permanent Professors, while I shall hope to be enabled to spend so much time annually at the Seminary as will suffice for the delivery of a series of instructions on the pastoral care.

Attempts have been made to represent my contemplated change of residence as indicative of a want of confidence on my part in the permanence of our institutions at Gambier, and as an evidence that they are declining. If the sources from which these misrepresentations have issued may be thought to make them undeserving of notice; still fears have been expressed by many of the best friends of those institutions that such may be the interpretation put upon my change of residence to such an extent as seriously to injure the College and Seminary.

I take this opportunity of saying that my leaving Gambier has no connection with any thing in the condition of the institutions there. One would suppose that if it be understood as having any meaning in regard to them, it should be considered a favorable sign. For as my determination at first to live there, some thirteen years ago, was made entirely on the representations of the Trustees of the precarious state of the College, which they considered as almost hopeless, unless I would change what was then my expectation, and become a resident at the College; so my present intention to terminate my residence may be interpreted as indicating a state the very reverse of what was then the case. But while, as I said before, my leaving Gambier is connected, in no degree, with any thing there as the moving cause: I am glad to say there has never been a time within the period of my connection with our institutions there, when I could have withdrawn my residence with more entire confidence that those whom I should leave behind would do all things, in their several departments conscientiously, harmoniously, efficiently, and with just regard to all the relations they sustain to the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese and the interests of the Church.

My present plan is but the carrying out of the expectations with which I first came to Ohio. At that time, I had no thought of living at Gambier. Before accepting the office of Bishop of the Diocese, I enquired of the Committee appointed by the Convention to correspond with me, whether it was requested that the Bishop, because of his relation to the Theological Seminary and College, should reside at the place where they were located. I was answered in the negative. Under that interpretation, I accepted the office, and soon after my consecration, made a partial visitation and met the Trustees. Up to that period it was my expectation to make my residence at Cincinnati.

My liberty to do as I pleased, was fully conceded by the Trustees when, at their solicitation, I consented to change my place. I have never considered my residence as permanently fixed at Gambier. More than once, during the thirteen years I have lived there, have

I been on the point of removal, under the belief that, at some other place, I could as well fulfil the superintendence of the institutions located there and better accomplish the duties more directly connected with the Diocese.

On this subject I will add a few words more. It is provided in the constitution of the Theol. Sem., that said Seminary "shall be under the *immediate* charge and superintendence of the Bp. of the Diocese, for the time being as President." It may seem to some that this *immediate* superintendence, requires the Bp. to be resident at the place of the Seminary. But I do not think so; such was not the interpretation given me when I consented to accept my present connection with the institution. I do not suppose that the *immediateness* of the superintendence has any thing to do with *proximity* of residence. The Bishop is in immediate superintendence of every parish of his Diocese, though living at the place of only one. The question in the case before us depends on the *nature* of the superintendence required. If it involve a minute and daily inspection of the whole carrying on of the institution, then residence near it would be necessary. But such not being the duty contemplated; the superintendence being such as is perfectly consistent with the Bishop's being absent in the visitation of his diocese the whole year if he see fit, it is not incompatible with his being permanently resident in any part of the diocese which he may choose. I need not speak of the impropriety there would be in making the general interests of the Diocese so subordinate to the will of an institution of learning therein, as to give the latter the right of fixing the residence of the Diocesan for its own particular accommodation; nor of the anomaly of one generation of clergy and laity of the Diocese determining for all succeeding generations the precise spot where the Bishop shall live, irrespective of those changes of circumstances on which the choice of his place of residence should depend.

Not only do I believe that no such restrictions exist, or ought to be submitted to if they did exist, but I am well persuaded that, under ordinary circumstances, the kind of superintendence which the Bp. is by constitution entrusted with, can be, in most respects, better discharged while he resides away from the institution, and occasionally visits it, than by his living directly by it.

By residing at Cincinnati, I hope to be enabled, under the divine blessing, to accomplish more for the promotion of the Gospel and the salvation of men, during those parts of the year when I am usually at home, while in consequence of the facilities of passage from that point to all parts of the state, facilities which are constantly increasing, I shall find it the most convenient for the visitation of all the parishes under my charge.

You are probably aware that under the Board of Missions, there is at present established a Mission to the Jews, for the accommodation of which, in the city of N. York, where many of the ancient people are found, a Jewish chapel is to be erected. The Rev. Mr. Labagh is now employed in that most interesting mission. He has been engaged in visiting the Jews in several of our chief cities, and also in endeavoring to excite, in the several dioceses, an active zeal

for the propagation of the Gospel among that people. He has proposed that on Good Friday collections should be made in the churches for the Mission. How appropriate the day! The Bps. of Virginia, Maryland, New Jersey, Rhode Island, Vermont, Pennsylvania, Delaware, North Carolina and Georgia have been mentioned in his report as having recommended the proposal to their respective dioceses. I take this opportunity of uniting with them in so good a cause, and of recommending to you, my brethren of the clergy, who are in charge of parishes, that on the day when our Lord was crucified by his brethren according to the flesh; when he died for them as well as for us; when he specially prayed for them that his Father would forgive them; when they called down the vengeance of his blood upon them and their children; and when by that blood was purchased for us whatever is precious in the peace of God and the sanctification of the Spirit; and when all that we have and are was bought with that price; on that day when we should especially desire to seek the glorious consummation of all the promises of the word of God concerning the final union of the restored and converted children of Abraham with the forces of the Gentiles, in the kingdom of God on earth, let us remember the Mission to the Jews; let us desire its extension and success; let it have our prayers and our gifts; let us delight to do good to that people who sprang from faithful Abraham and of whom came according to the flesh, He "who is over all, God blessed forever." That man will be blessed of God who seeks the salvation of the Jews. That people, that church, will receive blessing from God that shall faithfully seek to bring back that outcast, wandering, wonderful people to the favour of him of whom they are still beloved for their father's sake. On their turning unto Christ depends the fulfilment of all the prophetic word concerning the glory of that latter day for which the church of Christ in earth and heaven has so long prayed and waited.

I have now to request the particular attention of my brethren to a subject which, in my view, is one of interest and importance.

In times past, when nothing seemed less probable than that Romish corruption of Christianity should make head in the Protestant Churches of England and of this country; when a man would have been thought almost mad who should have predicted that by this time and as the work of about ten years, such changes as we are witnesses of, as well in attachment to the great principles of the Protestant Reformation, as in detestation of the anti-christian doctrines of Popery, would take place at home and abroad; when for one minister of a Protestant Church to become a Romanist was singular enough to excite universal astonishment, and when the fact that nearly one hundred clergymen of our mother church in Great Britain, and several from our own Church, have apostatized to the faith of Rome within some five or six years, had it been predicted, would have been utterly ridiculed as too impossible to be even dreamed of; it is not singular that some things then should have been looked upon as matters of indifference which such alarming changes have now compelled us to regard as of serious importance in connection with the growth of heresy and corruption.

Of that class, is the form of the structure on which we celebrate the Supper of the Lord. We have not been accustomed hitherto to take that matter much into account except as a question of taste. It has always indeed been decidedly the usage of our Church to have a literal table as distinguished from an altar-form structure. Until a very few years, the contrary was seldom seen. It is still an exception to the general custom. But as long as it seemed to be a matter of architectural preference, rather than of doctrinal principle; as long as there appeared among those who called themselves members of the Protestant Episcopal Church, no effort to "*unprotestantise*" the Church, to cast dishonor upon the principles of the Reformation, to bring back the outcast corruptions of Rome, especially that doctrine concerning a real and propitiatory sacrifice in the Eucharist, and a real, sacrificing, mediatorial priesthood in him who is commissioned to minister the Eucharist, as if he stood between God and man at the altar of atonement, and as if your peace with God depended on his priestly intercession there; under such circumstances there was no sense of hazard in leaving people to follow their fancies in the particular article of church furniture referred to; although then, just as much as now, to have any thing but a *literal table*, in the usual sense, for the communion of Christ's household of faith, was at variance with the direction of the Prayer Book, the precedents of the Scripture and the practice of the early church.

But wonderfully have matters changed within a very few years. What sort of language and of sympathy in regard to the Reformation, and the peculiar doctrines of the Church of Rome, especially those most connected with our present subject, have we become so accustomed to of late, among professed Protestant Episcopalians, that we almost cease to notice them, but which a few years ago would have seemed impossible to any but a real Romanist! It is now too late for any man of ordinary observation to question that there is in the bosom of the Church of England and of our own, which shares so necessarily in all the influences that affect the doctrinal condition of the former, a decided and concerted effort to propagate among the clergy and laity those very essential and central doctrines of Romish divinity against which our church declares her strong protest on every fold of her banner. That effort is too systematic, too bold, too diligent, too artful, and already is too successful not to be alarming to any mind not already so far drugged with its poisons as to be incapable of natural sight, or else so indifferent, or so inordinately anxious for peace, at almost all hazards, as to be unwilling to believe there is an enemy at the gate until his standard is planted on the citadel.

No object is more essential to the unprotestantising of our church and to the taking away of the great gulf that lies between the gospel as she teaches it and its awful perversion and denial in the Church of Rome, than that of getting away the doctrine of our articles and homilies concerning the nature of the Lord's Supper, and substituting that of the decrees of the Council of Trent. Our Church, in the "*Homily concerning the Sacrament*," having in her eye the very corruptions now sought to be propagated among us, exhorts you to "*take heed lest*

of *the memory* (i. e. of the doctrine of a *remembrance* of the death of Christ in the Eucharist.) he made a *sacrifice* ; lest applying it for the dead *we* lose the fruit that he alive." And she assures you that in the Lord's Supper, "you need *no other sacrifice or oblation*," (than that of Christ on the Cross,) "no *sacrificing Priest*, no mass, no means established by man's invention."* But the revolutionary effort, which is best known as the Tractarian, directly contradicts this language of our Church, teaching that we do need another oblation and sacrifice ; that the sacrifice of Christ on the cross cannot avail us, unless it be applied by what is called the "unbloody" sacrifice of his body and blood upon the altar of the Eucharist ; that we must have the mediation of a "*sacrificing Priest*" at that altar, or we cannot partake in the mediation of our Great High Priest before the mercy-seat in the sanctuary in the heavens ; and consequently, that the Lord's Supper is not a mere "*memory*" of a sacrifice, but is a real propitiatory sacrifice for sin. This is Popery in the essence. This is one of the devices by which, under a mask of Gospel phrase, the Church of Rome evacuates the gospel of all that makes it a gospel. This is the hand by which it forges the chains of superstition and priest craft, and riveting them around the reason and the consciences of men, fastens them down under bondage to whatever terrors a despotic priesthood may employ.

Now where this doctrine, concerning a real sacrifice and priesthood in the Eucharist, exists, it must have a literal *altar* in the communion ; because that proclaims and is part of, the very idea of the Sacrament which it maintains. And it must get rid of a literal *table* ; because that declares the very truth concerning the Sacrament, as simply a commemorative feast upon a sacrifice, once offered on the cross, which is most absolutely denied.

This view is so well expressed by Gregory Martin, a learned Romish divine of the sixteenth century and one of the principal hands in the Rhemish translation of the N. Test., that I am content with his words. "The name of altar, both in the Hebrew and Greek, and by the consent of all peoples, both Jews and Pagans implying and importing *sacrifice*, therefore we in respect of the sacrifice of Christ's body and blood, say *altar* rather than *table*. But the Protestants because they make it only a communion of bread and wine, or a supper and no sacrifice, therefore they call it a *table* only." Understand their wily policy therein is this : to take away the holy sacrifice of the mass, they take away both altar and priest ; because they know right well that these three, priest, sacrifice and altar, are dependents and consequents one of another, so that they cannot be separated. If there be an external sacrifice, there must be an external priesthood to offer it, and an altar to offer the same upon. So had the Gentiles their sacrifices, priests and altars ; so had the Jews ; so Christ himself, being a priest, according to the order of Melchizedec, had a sacrifice, his body : and an altar, his cross, upon the which he offered it. And because he instituted *this sacrifice* to continue in his

*Homily concerning the sacrament, Part 1.

church forever in commemoration and representation of his death, therefore did he withal ordain his apostles *priests* at his last supper, and there and then instituted the holy order of priesthood and priests, (saying *hoc fecite*, do this,) to offer the *self-same sacrifice* in a mystical and unbloody manner, until the world's end."†

To the accuracy of the above as to Protestants making the Eucharist only a communion of *bread and wine*, I do not agree. But as to the essentially Romish connexion of *altar*, it is all most true. And hence you see that whether the Lord's Supper be celebrated on a *table*, or on an *altar*; on a structure the form of which shall express a mere feast of communion, or on one which is ever associated with the idea of a proper priest and sacrifice, cannot with Romanists, or those who sympathise with their doctrine of the Eucharist, be a matter of indifference.

We have therefore seen that in proportion as the Tractarian type of Romish doctrine and sympathy has gained favor in England or in this country, there has grown up a marked fondness for altars, instead of tables. In some instances where this substitution is made, I doubt not it is as it used to be, a mere matter of taste, unassociated with any doctrinal bearing. But I fear such is not generally the case. There is undoubtedly in many a decided charm in the form of an *altar*, because of its connexion with certain forms of doctrine; and for this it takes the place of the simple communion-table. Thus testifies a learned and most able champion of the truth in the Church of England concerning the state of things there. "Of all the acts of these anti-protestant agitators, (writes the Rev. W. Goode, author of the "Divine Rule of Faith and Practice.") none perhaps more demands our attention, at the present moment, than the attempt to substitute altars for communion-tables in our churches. They are now notoriously set up for the furtherance of Tractarian views of the nature of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The communion-table is thrust out of the old churches to make way for them. They are studiously introduced wherever practicable, into our churches. And thus the purity of our Church's doctrine on the subject is placed in jeopardy."*

Now, my brethren, I have not looked without serious consideration upon these things. For several years, I have not consecrated a church, so far as I can remember, in which there was an altar-form structure, instead of a proper table. But this was rather because such a structure did not happen to be in the new churches, than because I was prepared to make any serious objection to it. But the altered condition of things to which I have referred, has placed the subject in a very different light, so that I have been led to enquire into my duty with regard to it as I had not done before. The conclusion to which I have come is this,—that hereafter I must refuse to consecrate any church in which there is an *altar-form* structure for the Lord's Supper, and in which there is not a *proper table*, in the

†Fulke's "Defence of the English Translations of the Bible against the cavils of Gregory Martin," Park. Soc. Ed., pp. 515, 516, 240 and 241.

*Altars prohibited by the Ch. of England, by Rev. W. Goode M. A., F. A. S. Lond.

usual sense, as the permanent furniture. 'I must require, not only that there be not an altar, but that there be a *permanent* and *proper* table. Of this determination I take the present opportunity of giving notice to the diocese.

In taking a position which I cannot but suppose will seem, not only new, but over-scrupulous to those whose attention has not been much drawn in that direction, it is due, as well to you, as myself, that I should assign my reasons. 'This, I now proceed to do. And, my brethren, if I should go more largely into the subject than the justification of the determination just declared would seem to require, I am sure you will not think the time inappropriately employed when you shall see how conclusively the state of the case as to what is right in our Church, in regard to the furniture for the Lord's Supper, expounds her doctrine of the nature of that sacrament, as involving no sacrifice, except as all prayer is sacrifice, and of the minister thereof as being no Priest except as that name is used synonymously with Presbyter or Elder.†

But here I wish it to be distinctly understood that in what I have now said or shall say, there is no reference intended to any minister, or parish, or any state of things in this diocese. In carrying out my views of duty in this matter recently, I have designed not the least censure on any person or parish. Nothing of that sort is intended in

†The English Translations of the Bible were violently attacked by Romish writers, in the age of the Reformation, because the original word *Presbuteros*, (whence comes our word Presbyter,) was in no instance rendered *Priest*. The Reformers answered thus: "The word *priest*, by popish abuse is commonly spoken for a *sacrificer* the same as *sacerdos* in Latin. But the Holy Ghost never calleth the ministers of the word and sacraments of the N. Test. *hiereis* or *sacerdotes*. Therefore the translators to make a difference between the ministers of the O. Test. and those of the New, call the one according to the usual acceptation, *priests*, and the other according to the original derivation, *presbyters* or *elders*. The name of priest according to the original derivation from *presbyter*, we do not refuse; but according to the common acceptation for a sacrificer we cannot take it, when it is spoken of the ministry of the N. Test. But seeing your popish sacrificing power, and blasphemous sacrifice of your mass hath no manner of ground in the holy scriptures, either in the original Greek, or in your own Latin translation, you are driven to seek a silly shadow of it in the abusive acceptation and sounding of the English word *priest* and *priesthood*. And therefore you do in great earnest affirm that priest, sacrifice, and altar are dependents and consequents one of another, so that they cannot be separated. If you should say in Latin *sacerdos*, *sacrificium*, *altare* be such consequents, we will subscribe to you; but if you will change the word, and say *presbyter*, *sacrificium*, *altare*, every learned man's ears will glow to hear you say they are dependents and consequents inseparable. Therefore we must needs distinguish of the word '*priest*' in your corollary; for if you mean thereby *sacerdotem*, we grant the consequence of sacrifice and altar; but if you mean *presbyterum*, we deny that God ever joined these three in an inseparable band; or that *presbyter*, in that he is *presbyter*, hath any thing to do with sacrifice or altar, more than *senior*, or *ancient* or *elder*."—*Fulke's Def. of English Translation of the Bible, Park. Sec. Ed., pp. 109, 253.*

"Ambiguity, (says Bp. White,) has arisen from the circumstance that the English language applies the same word '*Priest*,' to denote two words in the original, (*Hiereus* and *Presbuteros*.) Of the latter word it is here affirmed that it never denotes an offerer of sacrifice; and as to the former word, none alleges that it ever stands for a christian minister in the scriptures."—*Diss. on the Eucharist.*

what I have yet to say. In the few cases of altar-form structures in churches of Ohio, I have no reason to believe there has been any object beyond the gratification of a builder's taste. It may therefore seem to some ill-timed to adopt the determination of which I have just notified you. But my opinion is precisely the reverse. It seems to me far wiser to settle a definite rule of this kind, while there is nothing against it more difficult to be yielded than a mere matter of architectural fancy; than to wait till erroneous doctrine shall have gained so much strength as to change a question of taste into one of principle, and make the having of an altar identical with the keeping of a good conscience.

Let me first go to history. What was the primitive use?

None can deny that our Lord instituted and administered the Eucharist at a common *household table*. And when he says "the hand of him that betrayeth me is with me on the table," we necessarily contemplate the Saviour and the twelve as engaged in an act of communion simply; analagous to that of a household around its family table. Nothing can more perfectly exclude the idea of sacrifice, priest and altar. It was at the commemoration of the Passover. The Supper of the Lord took the place of the paschal feast. The latter was a feast *after*, and *upon*, a sacrifice, which had been previously offered at the great altar of 'burnt-offerings at the Temple.' The work of the Jewish *priest* was finished when the paschal lamb had been sacrificed. Other altar a Jew could not have, than that in the temple around which the blood of the lamb was sprinkled. Other sacrifice there remained none in connection with that feast, when once that lamb had been slain. But there did remain the feast of communion *upon* that lamb, thus offered once for all the house of Israel. The lambs were many; the sacrifice, the feast, the type was one. It was the communion of the whole household of the chosen people. They met in families as we meet for our communion in congregations. They met, not at the altar where the sacrifice was offered, but at the table of the family fellowship; as we meet, not at the cross, where Christ our Passover was sacrificed for us; but at a table expressive of the family fellowship of all believers in the reconciliation effected by the blood of Jesus. The Jews met without a Priest; all that pertained to the office of Priest having been finished at the temple. We meet at the Lord's Supper without any mere human Priest,‡ for all that pertains to the office of a Priest, in our reconciliation to God was finished when Christ offered up himself, "*once for all*," on the altar of the cross; or else is being perfected in his present ever-living intercession within the veil, before the mercy-seat in heaven. The Jews met to feed upon what had elsewhere been offered as a propitiatory sacrifice to God. Christians meet to feed, by *faith*, with thanksgiving, *spiritually* upon a propitiatory sacrifice, long since offered, even the flesh and blood of Jesus, by which we draw nigh to God. The Jewish Passover was of two parts, "the *sacrifice* of the Lord's Passover," and the *feast* of the Lord's Passover; the propitiatory offering at the temple, and the eucharistic supper on that offer-

‡Of course I mean priest in the sense of a *sacrificer*.

ing, in the family dwelling. It was as much commanded that the feast should be in the house, and not at the altar in the temple, as that the sacrifice should be at the altar in the temple, and not in any private house. Our Passover is of like two parts, the sacrifice and the feast; the offering of the Lamb of God, and the eucharistic supper of the whole household of faith, partaking of that Lamb. In the beginning of the dispensation of the Gospel, the *sacrifice* of our passover was slain, once for all. Jesus was priest and victim. The whole period, since then, and to the end of the world, is the *Feast* of the Lord's Passover, during which each believer, every day, is living by faith, in the secret of his own heart, upon the sacrifice of Christ, as all his life and hope; and the whole household of faith are, at stated periods, assembling together to *express and declare* in the sacrament of the breaking of bread, their common dependence on, and their common thankfulness for, that one perfect and sufficient oblation and satisfaction for the sins of the whole world.

As the Jews were not allowed to unite the offering and the eating, the priestly sacrifice and the eucharistic feast, but were commanded to separate them in point of place and time; so we cannot, by any possibility unite them under the Gospel. The sacrifice for us was offered eighteen hundred years ago, "*once for all.*" It cannot be repeated. The feast alone remains—a feast *commemorative of a sacrifice*, but not *a sacrifice of commemoration*, except as the offering of prayer and thanksgiving is *figuratively* a sacrifice, and each communicant, is in that sense, a Priest.

All this illustrates how entirely it was, as pertaining to the design and original institution of the Lord's supper, that our Lord assembled the twelve around a common *household table*, for the first administration of that sacrament; and how little connexion, it had, with any *sacrifice*, as then being offered, or, with any *altar* as then present.

Long after the first institution of the Lord's supper, the Christian Church continued to keep it aloof from any thing expressive of sacrifice, except as it commemorated that of Christ, and was accompanied, on the part of communicants, with the offering of their prayers and alms. Our venerable Bishop White expressed his belief that "the *term* 'altar,' did not supplant the original word 'table,' for a considerable time after the apostolic age." || Suicer, says it is "clearer than mid-day, that altars were not in the primitive church;" (*meridiana luce clarius.*) Basnage says, that the writings of men of the apostolic age, such as Clement, Polycarp, Justin, never employed the words, High Priest, Priest, &c., for the christian minister; nor did they any more use the word altar, to signify the table of the Eucharist." * Bingham, our learned and standard author, in ecclesiastical antiquities, says that, as late as the time of Athanasius, (4th century,) the churches had "*communion tables of wood*;" and of the churches of Africa and Egypt, particularly, he says: "There is no question to be made, that about this time, "*the altars were only tables of wood.*"

|| Diss. on the Eucharist.

* Basnag. Ann. 100, v. xii. Mede, with all his learning, could find none of the fathers using "*altar*," for the "*table*," earlier than Tertullian. A.D. 200.

In the year 509, a general decree was made in France, "that no altar should be consecrated, but such as should be made of stone only." And Bingham says, "this seems to be the first public act of that nature, that we have upon authentic record, in ancient history. And from the time of this change in the *matter* of them, the *form, or fashion* of them changed likewise. For, whereas, before, they were in the form of *tables*, they now began to be erected more like *altars*." †

This, comparatively, modern use of the form of an altar, instead of that of a table, is strongly asserted by Bishop Jewel, in his Defence of his Apology for the Church of England, against the Jesuit Harding. "As for the altars," he says, "which the Donatists broke down, (in the churches of the 4th century) they were certainly *tables of wood, such as we have*, and not heaps of stones, such as ye have. St. Augustine saith, the Donatists, in their fury, broke down the altar-boards. His words be these: *Lignis ejusdem altaris effractis*. Likewise saith Athanasius of the like fury of the Arians; *Subsellia, thronum, mensam ligneam et tabulas ecclesiæ and cætera quæ proterunt, foris elata, combusserunt*. They carried forth and burnt the seats, the pulpit, the wooden board, the church tables, &c. Touching your stone altars Beatus Rhenanus saith, *In nostris Basilicis, Ararum super addititia structura novitatem præ se fert*; in our churches, the building up of altars, added to the rest, declareth a novelty. This learned man telleth you, Mr. Harding, that *your stone altars* are but newly brought into the church of God, and *that our communion tables are old and ancient, and have been used from the beginning*. We have such altars as Christ, his apostles, and St. Augustine, Optetus, and other catholic and holy Fathers, had and used." ‡

Bishop Babington, in his notes on Exodus, published in 1604, says, "The altars used in popery are not warranted by this example, (i. e. of the Jewish altars.) But that the primitive churches used communion tables, *as we do now*, of boards and wood, not altars, *as they do*, of stone. Origen was about 200 years after Christ, and he saith that Celsus objected to it as a fault to Christians, *Quod nec imagines, nec templa, nec aras habrent*: that they had neither images, nor temples, nor altars. Arnobius, after him, saith the same of the heathens: *Accusatis nos quod nec templa habeamus nec aras, nec imagines*.—Gerson saith that Sylvester first caused stone altars to be made. Upon this occasion, in some places, stone altars were used for steadiness and continuance, wooden tables having been before used; but, I say, in some places, not in all. For St. Augustine saith that in his time, in Africa, they were made of wood. For the Donatists, saith he, break in sunder the altar boards. Again, the deacon's duty was to remove the altar. Chrysostom calleth it the holy board. St. Augustine, the table of the Lord. Athanasius, *Mensam ligneam*, the table of wood. Yet was this communion-table called an altar, not that it was so, but only by allusion, metaphorically, as Christ is called an altar, or our hearts be called altars, &c. Mark, with yourselves, therefore, the newness of this point, for stone altars, in comparison of

† Bingham's Antiquities, b. vii, c. vi. § 15.

‡ Defence of Apol. P. i, ch. iii, div. 3.

our ancient use of communion tables, and let Popery and his parts fall, and truth and sound antiquity be regarded." §

The learned Perkins, one of the greater lights at Cambridge, in the latter part of the 16th century, says: "About the year 400, the use of altars began, but not for sacrifice, but for the honour and memory of the martyrs." ||

It would be easy to shew that the use of altars originated contemporaneously with that inordinate veneration for the relics of saints and martyrs, which was very soon matured into that idolatrous adoration, which is now one of the grievous crimes of the Church of Rome. It is little to the credit of altars, in the christian church, to look back to the various growths, of astonishing superstition, which grew up, in company with their use. Mosheim, speaking of the 4th century, says: "An enormous train of different superstitions were, gradually, substituted in the place of true religion, and genuine piety. This odious revolution was owing to a variety of causes. A ridiculous precipitation in receiving new opinions; a preposterous desire of imitating the Pagan rites, and of blending them with the christian worship, and that idle propensity, which the generality of mankind have, towards a gaudy and ostentatious religion, all contributed to establish the reign of superstition upon the ruins of Christianity * * * The virtues that had formerly been ascribed to the heathen temples, to their lustrations, to the statues of their gods and heroes, were now attributed to christian churches, to water consecrated by certain forms of prayer, and to the images of holy men. * * * The worship of the *martyrs*, was modelled, by degrees, according to the religious services that were paid to the gods, before the coming of Christ." ¶

To such heights of superstition and imposture, had the veneration of relics arrived, in the latter part of the 4th century, that the 5th Council of Carthage was obliged to resist its more odious extravagances. The following extracts, from the 14th canon of that Council, will show in what connexion altars arose in the Church. "It is decreed that the *altars*, which are set up *every where, in the fields, or in the ways*, as monuments of martyrs, in which no bodies or relics of martyrs are proved to be buried; be overthrown by the Bishops of those places, if it may be. But, if, *on account of tumults of the people*, that cannot be done, yet let the people be admonished that they frequent not those places, &c. And let no memorial of martyrs be allowed and accepted, except the body, or some undoubted relics be there, or that some original of their habitation or suffering, be there delivered, from a most faithful beginning. As for those altars, that are set up, *in every place, by dreams, and vain revelations of any men*, let them, by all means, be disallowed."

Faithful to this original connection, between altars and tombs, with the sacrament of the Lord's supper on the top, and dead men's bones within, is the present use of the altar in the church of Rome. The Rhemish Annotators on the New Testament, commenting on Rev.

§ Bishop Babington's works, Ed. 1622, p. 307.

|| Perkin's works, II; p. 553.

¶ Mosheim's Eccl. Hist. cent. iv. p. 11. § 2.

vi. 9, where occurs the vision of *the souls under the altar*, say, “Christ, as man, (no doubt,) is this altar, under which the souls of all martyrs lie in heaven, expecting their bodies, as Christ, their head, hath his body there already. And for correspondence to their place, or state, in heaven, the Church layeth, commonly, their bodies also, or relics, *near, or under the altars*, where our Saviour’s body is offered in the holy Mass; and hath *a special proviso, that no altars be erected, or consecrated, without some part of a saint’s body or relics.*” And this “*special proviso,*” is founded on the assumption that “the relics of the saints add not a little to the sanctity of the sacrament, *when they are contained in the altar;*” thus fully carrying out the abominable doctrine that we are assisted by the merits of the saints in obtaining justification through the merits of Christ.

Conformed to this *tomb-like use* of Romish altars, and their monumental origin, is their almost invariable *shape*. They are in the shape of *arks* or *chests*, resembling, very closely, in general appearance, those oblong structures of stone, or brick, surmounted with a marble slab, which, from time immemorial, have been erected over the dead, as monuments to their memory. *2

This peculiar, chest-like form of the Romish altar, is wholly unlike any thing under the name of altar, of which we have any account. The altars which Moses was directed to make for the worship of Israel, and those which were afterwards set up, according to that model in the temple at Jerusalem, had no such character. Bingham says that when such structures for altars, began to be used in the 5th century, “they were built *like a tomb, as if it were some monument of a martyr;*” and he quotes an eminent authority (Bona,) as saying that specimens of such ancient monuments to martyrs were still found, in his day, in the catacombs of Rome, and other places. *3

It is not difficult to trace the steps by which the martyr’s tomb came to be so universally the Romish altar. It is well known that, at an early period, Christians took great pleasure in honouring the memory of martyrs, by erecting tombs, as monuments, over the place of their burial, and in assembling there for worship, on the anniversary of their death. On these occasions, the martyr’s monument served as *a table*, on which they celebrated the Eucharist.

But now the habit of calling the table an altar, was fast driving

*2 “The altar which has been erected” (under Tractarian auspices) “at the Round Church, Cambridge,” (and which has been condemned by an ecclesiastical court, as illegal) “is a mass of stone work, rising as an erection from the ground, and attached to the fabric of the Church. The only point in which it differs from the *tomb-like* altars, generally seen in Romish churches, is that it is not closed in front, (though it is on the sides,) the Romish altars being generally closed all round, the interior being devoted to the reception of relics, without which, there is a very general feeling, among Romanists, that the eucharist cannot be properly celebrated upon them. But this *tomb-like* form is not reckoned essential to the being of an altar, and occasionally, I believe, a portion of the front is left open, that the relics may be seen, and protected only, by a trellis work of brass or other metal.”—*Goode’s Altars Prohibited in the Church of England.*

*3 Bingham’s Antiq. b. viii. c. vi. § 15.

out the true and primitive name, as Christians, out of a most degrading disposition to conciliate the heathen by adopting their names and conforming to their customs, were getting more fond of speaking of the Lord's supper, as a *sacrifice*, and its minister as a Priest.—Thus Jerome is quoted by a Romish Annotator, as “calling *the bodies or bones of St. Peter and St. Paul, the ‘altars’ of Christ, because of this sacrifice offered over and upon them.*” * Soon churches were built over some of those tombs, and the relics were removed from others into churches, and, of course, were enshrined in tombs, as became the sepulture of the illustrious dead. And there, as before, in the open fields, the eucharistic sacrifice was offered *over, and upon* them; the doctrine having now grown up that “prayer was the more acceptable to God, when made before the relics of the saints.” As the doctrine of the real, corporeal presence of the body of Christ in the Eucharist gained prevalence, so grew that of a real sacrifice and a literal altar; and as the idea of uniting the merits of Christ's sacrifice, with the supererogatory merits of saints, for the remission of sins, made progress, so seemed it the more appropriate that in the so called “sacrament of the altar,” the relics of the saints, and the body of Christ, should be associated together, the one *upon*, the other *under*, the altar. Thus it came to pass that the only form, with which the Church of Rome learned to connect the idea of a christian altar, was that of a christian martyr's tomb.—Such was the form which she handed down to the age of the Reformation, and to the present; sacred now, in the eyes of her children, as identified with the whole history of her Missal solemnities, and her miracle-working relics. And now, even among Protestant Christians, so is the association of ideas affected by the outward forms, which the pompous ceremonial of Romish worship exhibits, especially when they appear under the garb of antiquity, and are identified with a favorite style of ecclesiastical architecture, that when under the influence of a false architectural taste, or a wrong doctrinal sympathy, our people attempt to erect altars, instead of tables, in their churches, none ever think of copying the models which God gave to Moses for the worship of Israel, and which are hallowed in our thoughts, by all the sacred solemnities of the Jewish Church, as divinely ordained types of the sacrifice of Christ. To imitate the brazen altar of burnt offering, or the golden altar of incense, the on-

* Gregory Martin, Fulke's Defence, p. 516. The doctrine of any sacrifice in the Lord's supper, but as the commemoration of that of the cross, was called *metonymically*, a sacrifice, or as the prayers of communicants, were figuratively called sacrifices did not get place in the Church till long after; but there was now a dangerous use of figurative terms, and a dangerous fondness for the introduction of heathen rites with christian worship, out of which very naturally grew, by and by, the full doctrine of a literal sacrifice, altar and priesthood. Bishop White says, “there were no *sentiments*, for 300 years, in the Christian Church, which threatened to lead, even by remote consequence, to such an extreme,” as the Romish errors on this subject.—*Lecture on the Sacraments*.

In the 4th century, Eusebius said, that “the unbloody and reasonable sacrifices, which our blessed Saviour taught his followers to offer, were such as were to be performed by *prayer, and the mystical service of blessing and praising God.*”—*De laudibus Constantini*, quoted by Mede.

ly real altar-forms that we know of, except those of heathen worship, would at once seem too Jewish. To have something more *Christian*, we go to the altar of the Church of Rome, for a model; which is christian, just so far as the idolatrous worship of the wafer, in the Mass, and of dead men's bones beneath, is christian, and no more.—When one sees, in a Prot. Epis. Church, instead of a proper table, such as he has a right to find, for the holy supper, what is now called *an altar*, an oblong chest or ark, of stone or wood, closed in on all sides, as if some sacred mysteries were concealed therein; what edifying thoughts is it calculated to awaken in his mind? Is he reminded of the *institution* of the Lord's supper? But then there was only a common table. Does it symbolize, to his eye, the *nature* of the Lord's supper? He knows of no sacrifice therein, and therefore no altar. Does it teach him his *privilege and duty*, as a believer, spiritually to feed by faith, upon the sacrifice of Christ once offered on the cross? He wants a table, not an altar, to suggest that lesson. Does it stand before him, surrounded with edifying and inspiring associations, arising out of the recollection of the primitive and pure ages of the gospel? Those ages had no such device. Is it even connected, in his mind, with the venerable usages of the Protestant Episcopal Church? It is a novelty among them! What then! It is fitted only to remind him of its own original, in the midst of the rankest growths of spiritual deformity, when it was a mere martyr's tomb; its top, the birth-place of the idolatry of the Mass; its interior a depository of worshipped bones; a most fit symbol of that whole system of spiritual bondage and death, all centering in the so called "sacrament of the altar," under which the Church of Rome has always, since she became what she is, buried the gospel, and imprisoned the minds of men, wherever she has held dominion. If there be any thing edifying to a communicant at the Lord's board, in contemplating what suggests nothing but the remembrance of all that is false and superstitious in popery, then indeed is such an altar edifying. The primitive table is just the opposite.

We return to our history. I need not tell you that such was the altar found in the churches of England, at the period of the Reformation. But it did not remain long undisturbed. With the revival of gospel truth, concerning the nature of the Lord's supper, came the restoration of the primitive table for its celebration. In 1550, Ridley, Bishop of London, issued Injunctions to the churches of his diocese, exhorting, that *all altars should be taken down*, and that they should "set up *the Lord's board*, after the form of *an honest table*." And one of his reasons was, that "the form of a table may more turn away the people from the old superstitious opinions of the popish mass, and to the right use of the Lord's supper." †

An *order*, to the same effect was issued the same year. Under date of Nov. 19, we read, in King Edward's Journal, the following entry: "There were letters sent to every Bishop to pluck down the altars." ‡ Day, Bishop of Chichester, having refused compliance was

† Ridley's Works, P. S. Ed. pp. 319, 324.

‡ Burnet's Hist. of Ref. vol. 11, fol.

imprisoned. When Mary succeeded to the throne, Romanism was re-enthroned, and of course, tables were cast out of the churches, and altars restored. It was then made a serious charge against the Reformers that they had taken away the altars; to which Bp. Ridley, on the eve of his martyrdom, answered: "As for the taking down of the altars, it was done upon just considerations; for that they seemed to come too nigh the Jews' use; neither was the Supper of the Lord at any time better ministered or more duly received than in those better days, (the reign of Edward,) when all things were brought to the rites and usages of the primitive Church."†

On the return of the Reformation, under Elizabeth, altars were again cast out by authority, and tables were restored. In 1564-5, certain "*advertisements for due order in the using of the Lord's Supper,*" were "set forth by public authority," in which it was ordered that each parish should provide *a decent table standing on a frame*, for the communion table."§

In 1569, Archbishop Parker issued to his diocese certain Visitation Articles, one of which is thus: "Whether you have in your parish churches all things necessary for Common Prayer and administration of the sacraments, especially, *** the Homilies, a convenient pulpit, well placed; *a comely and decent table* for the holy communion, *** and *whether your altars be taken down according to the commandment in that behalf given.*"*2

In 1571, were issued the canons of the Synod of that year, which enjoined that the Church Wardens should provide "*a table of joiner's work for the administration of the holy communion.*"*3

In the same year, Grindal, while Archbishop of York, and afterwards, when in the see of Canterbury, set forth Injunctions directing the church wardens to provide in every parish, *a comely and decent table* STANDING ON A FRAME, and to see that all altars be utterly taken down."*4

Now it was with this well understood character of *a table* for the communion, as distinguished from an *altar* of sacrifice, "*an honest table,*" "*a table of joiner's work,*" "*a table of wood standing on a frame,*" that in 1603, the present canon of the Church of England (the 82d,) was enacted; which requires that "there shall be *a decent communion table* in every church." What the canon means by "*a table*" the injunctions I have cited perfectly determine. Contemporaneously with the Injunctions published in the reign of Elizabeth, was issued our Second Book of Homilies, in one of which we are told that "God's house is well adorned, with places convenient to sit in, with the pulpit for the Preacher, with the Lord's *table* for the ministration of his holy supper, with the font to christen in," &c.*5 In

† Ridley's Works, P. S. Ed. pp. 280, 281

§ Quoted from Goode's Altars Prohibited, who cites Sparrow and Cardwell as his authorities.

*2 Strypes' Life of Parker, app. b. II; No. XI.

*3 Quoted by Goode, from Wilk. IV; 266.

*4 Grindal's Works, P. S. Ed., pp. 133, 131.

*5 Homily on Repairing of Churches.

those days it would have been as impossible to mistake what in the laws of the Ch. of England was meant by a table, in distinction from an altar, as to confound a pulpit for the preacher, with a font for baptism.

It is an impressive fact, in this connexion that whereas in the first Prayer Book of Edward vi. 1548, the word altar was retained in some places, where a literal table was meant; when that book was revised in 1552. and the second book of Edward vi, was set forth, that word was, in every case erased, and *table* was put in its place. Thus has the Prayer Book of the Church of England remained to this day. The word *altar* is not there, in any connection with the Lord's supper. It was *struck out* when it *was* there, as not according to the doctrine of the Church. Every where now, the word is *table*. Thus, what is the law of that Church according to her rubrics and canons, as expounded by the Visitation Articles and Injunctions of her Bishops and Arch Bishops, by the decrees of synods, and the declarations of her greatest divines, is manifest beyond a rational question. A learned writer states it thus, "The only thing which properly answers the legal requisition of our church, must have the three following characteristics :

First, As to *material*, that it be made of wood.

Secondly, As to *form*, that it be a table in the ordinary sense of the word, that is, a horizontal plane resting upon a frame or feet.

Thirdly, That it be unattached, in any part, to the church, so as to be a *moveable* table." *

The recent decision of the highest ecclesiastical and judicial authority in England, commanding the altar lately erected in the Round Church in Cambridge to be removed, as illegal, fully confirms all that we have now said as to the law of the Church of England on this subject.

Before leaving this historical view, it will be edifying to reflect upon the alternate rise and fall of altars and tables, in the history of the English Church according as Romish or Protestant principles prevailed.

With the prevalence of the Reformation under Edward, the symbol of sacrifice and of priestly mediation, fell down before the ark of Christ's holy gospel, and the primitive symbol of the communion feast at which all believers have equal rights of fellowship with their Lord and Saviour, was set up again as Christ and his Apostles left it. But with the return of the dominion of popery, under Mary, came back the priestly altars, and the casting out of the Lord's table. The restoration of the gospel to the pulpits, under Elizabeth, was the signal for the restoration of the symbol of its blessed feast of grace, in Jesus Christ. When, afterwards, in the times of Archbishop Laud, there was a revival of Romish sympathies and doctrines, corresponding perfectly in spirit and principle with what we now see, in a more mature developement under the name of Tractarianism, there was an equal revival of zeal for altars, and there were those who took advantage of the favour known to be secretly felt in high quar-

* Goodc's Altars Prohibited.

ters towards such things, and erected altars in the churches. A Bishop (Montague, of Chichester,) went so far as to insert in his visitation articles, questions which were intended to suggest and promote their erection. And this same Bishop, while professedly of the Protestant Church of England, was, in his heart, an apostate to the Church of Rome, and was, at that time, holding secret interviews with the Pope's emissary, then in England, for the purpose of bringing about a union of the Church of England and Rome. His zeal for altars was fully united with a zeal to assure Panzani, "*that he was continually employed in disposing men's minds, both by word and writing, for a re-union with Rome;*" and that both he and many of his brethren were prepared to conform themselves to the method and discipline of the Gallican church, where the civil rights were well guarded; and "*as for the aversion (said he) we discover in our sermons and printed books, they are things of form, chiefly to humour the populace and not to be much regarded.*"† We cannot but be reminded, by these sad words, of certain strong expressions against Rome, put out in the earlier writings of certain leading Tractarian authors, and which had the effect, as was intended, of convincing many that those men were strong opposers, and perhaps the only effectual opposers of Romanism; which expressions having done their work, *have been taken back*, with the not-unintelligible intimation that they were not sincere, only words *for the times*, while some of their authors have apostatised to the Church of Rome, in form, and others evidently in heart.

By such men, altars were revived in the days of Laud. When those days were passed, and the Church of England had weathered the storm which, by a fierce and desolating reaction, they had raised, no more was heard of altars; except as a lingering survivor of the non-juring divines kept up the taste for sacrifices and priests. From that time, until the recent revival of Romish doctrine and feeling among some members of the English Church, it is not known that any thing but "*an honest table*" was placed in the churches of that land. But now just so far as Tractarianism has extended its *virus* through the body of our mother church, producing its legitimate fruits in a real, though, partially, masked Romanism, has there appeared a solemn zeal for a real sacrifice in the Lord's supper; for a sacrificing priesthood in the christian ministry; for a confinement of the dispensation of gospel grace to the ministrations of a priest in the sacrifice of the Eucharist; and, by necessary consequence, *an altar* in the church, as the only thing at which a priest can appropriately stand, in his mediatorial office, and offer the body of Christ as a propitiation for the sins of the faithful.

This history of the alternate revival and declension of zeal for altars and tables, makes it so evident with what kind of sympathy, Romish, or Protestant, each is doctrinally connected, and how far it is from being a matter of indifference whether we have one or the other, that he who runs may read.

† *Memoirs of Gregario Panzani*, quoted by Goode in his introduction to Jackson on the Church.

I am now prepared to state *four* reasons for the determination of which I have notified you, that I will not consecrate any church, hereafter, in which the structure for the ministration of the Lord's supper is of an *altar-form*; or in which there is not, for that use, a table, in the ordinary sense, as the permanent furniture.

1st, *The Rubric of our Communion Office requires such a Table.*

Our Prayer Book, as originally set forth, like that of the Church of England, no where used the word *altar*, with reference to the Lord's supper. It continued some fifteen years in that state, every where speaking of *the table*. It was not until the addition of the Office for the Institution of Ministers, that the word *altar* obtained admission, even in a figurative sense. Of this, more by and by. Only in that office is it now found. In the Rubric, at the head of the communion office, it is directed that "*the table, at the Communion, having a fair linen cloth upon it, shall stand in the body of the church, or in the chancel.*"

It would be perfectly consistent with the order of the church, as thus set forth, were the communion-table placed in the middle of one of the aisles, if the space around were large enough to be convenient for communicants; and there entirely *open, unprotected by rails*, instead of being, as is our present custom, enclosed within the barrier of the chancel. However inexpedient this might be, it would not be inconsistent with the provisions of our Church. Consistently with those provisions, the table might be sometimes in one part of the body of the church, and sometimes in another. And while we think of it as a table, only the symbol of the spiritual feast, of the Lord's family, there is nothing *intrinsically* objectionable in this. But what would it be were it a real altar, with the sacrifice of the Lord's body offered thereon, and the special sacredness of a mediating, sacrificing Priest, officiating thereat? The very idea implies separation, a privileged place, ground specially holy, as the court of the Priests in the temple, in which stood the altar of sacrifice, was separated from the court of Israel.

'The Rubric says "*the table.*" It no where goes into any account of what it means by a table. Of course then we are intentionally left to understand a table in the usual sense.

To say that because an altar may, in a certain accommodated sense, be called a table, it is therefore consistent with the rubric, to have a literal altar in our churches, is just as weak as to say that whatever may in any figurative, accommodated, or unusual sense be termed a table, however perfectly unlike what all are accustomed to understand by a table, is contemplated by the Rubric. You may go out into a grave-yard and serve up your family meal upon a tomb-stone, and hence call it a table, because you have used it for a table. But is it a table in any ordinary or proper sense? And would it be rubrical to place it in the Church for the feast of the Lord's Passover? Would it be an appropriate symbol of the feast of the household of faith? Why not as much as a Romish altar?

But what our Rubric means by *the table*, is easily and perfectly settled by the sense of the Church of England. Our rubric is precisely hers. Her doctrine and practice, as to the ministration of the

Eucharist, is, by universal acknowledgment, ours. All that we have, in those respects, came through her. Consequently the whole history of the removal of altars and the substitution of "*honest tables, of wood, standing on a frame;*" all the government—orders, episcopal injunctions and judicial decisions, by which the law of the Church of England is so clearly interpreted, apply with equal conclusiveness to the interpretation of ours, and establish that what is meant by a table for the communion, cannot admit of any thing but a table in *the ordinary sense*, requiring no ingenious eye to see how it can be considered a table, but intelligible, in this respect to all descriptions of men.

I know it is pleaded that in the Office for the Institution of Ministers the table is called "*the altar.*" But I cannot perceive any room to argue from that source in justification of an altar-form structure, instead of a table, in our churches. I have already told you of the late introduction of that office. It speaks of "*the altar*" some six or seven times. Was such a thing as an altar, in a literal sense, known in the churches, at that time? We answer no, unless possibly as some very rare exception, to a general custom. What could the Office then have meant by the *altar*, but the *table*; and inasmuch as the table was no figurative table, but the literal thing, in the ordinary sense how could it be called an altar but in a *figurative* sense, just as we speak of "*the family altar;*" and why should we any more infer from such use, that it is consistent with good taste, or church-propriety, to have a literal altar in our houses of worship, than we should infer from the common expression "*family altar,*" that people really erect altars in their houses of residence; or why, if the Prayer Book speaks *literally* when it speaks of "*the table*" and *figuratively* when it speaks of "*the altar,*" should we have for our article of furniture for the communion literally an altar, and only figuratively a table?

But all this aside. It does seem most singular that we should allow a word used only some five or six times in the whole Prayer Book, and that in an office so recent and so little used, to overrule the use and interpretation of centuries; that instead of requiring it to take its interpretation from all the communion office, where, if any where, the true doctrine and use of the Church, on this head, should be expected, and from the whole history of the Prayer Book, and of the Prot. Ep. Church, we should on the contrary oblige these venerable authorities to receive their interpretation from that one word. We have no disposition to deny that the communion table may in some sense be rightly called an altar. When Romish writers, in controversy with our Reformers, adduced the use of the term among the fathers, they were answered by Dean Nowell as follows: "If St. Basil and some other old writers, call it an altar, that is no proper but a *figurative* name, for that, as in the old law, their burnt-offerings and sacrifices were offered upon the altar, so are our sacrifices of prayer and thanksgiving &c., offered up to God at the Lord's table, *as if it were an altar.*" But such kind of figurative speech can be no just cause to set up altars, rather than tables; unless they think that their crosses also should be turned into altars, for that like phrase is used of

them, where it is said Christ offered up himself upon the altar of the cross."¶

2d. My second reason is that the form of a table is according to the institution of Christ, the practice of the primitive Church, the practice of the Church of England, and, until recently, the almost unvaried practice of the Prot. Ep. Churches in these United States; while on the other hand the form of an altar is no older in the christian church than those grievous corruptions of christianity which became prevalent in the 4th and 5th centuries, but is identified with the whole history of the Romish apostacy.

3d. My third reason is, that the form of a table is according to the nature of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper; while that of an altar is not. This was one of the reasons given by Bp. Ridley, when he issued his injunction for the placing of tables in the churches of his Diocese, and I am content to use his words: "The use of an altar, (he says,) is to make sacrifice upon it; the use of a table is to serve for men to eat upon. Now when we come to the Lord's board what do we come for? to sacrifice Christ again, or to *feed upon him that was once only* crucified and offered up for us? If we come to feed upon him, *spiritually* to eat his body, and *spiritually* to drink his blood, which is the true use of the Lord's Supper, then no man can deny but the form of a table is more meet for the Lord's board than the form of an altar."

4th. My fourth reason is that the due guardianship of the scriptural doctrine of the Lord's Supper, against these errors and corruptions which the great adversary of Christ is ever seeking to insinuate among us, requires that we carefully keep up the form of a table, and reject that of an altar.

And here I am content to take the language of the leading Divines of the Reformation, in the reign of Elizabeth, as found in a list of reasons for the removal of altars, supposed to have been written by Archbishop Parker: "An altar (they say,) hath relation to a sacrifice; for they be correlative, so that of necessity, if we allow an altar, we must grant a sacrifice; like as if there be a father, there is also a son; and if there is a master, there is also a servant. Whereupon divers of the learned adversaries themselves have spoken of late, that *there is no reason to take away the sacrifice of the mass, and to leave the altar standing, SEEING THE ONE WAS ORDAINED FOR THE OTHER.*"‡

I will now conclude what I have to say on this subject by reminding you of the earnestness with which that late venerable Father of our American Ep. Church, Bp. White, contended against whatever had a tendency to introduce among us that doctrine of a real sacrifice and priesthood, in the Eucharist, with which the altar is so essentially connected.

One of the legacies left us by that far-seeing Divine is a Dissertation on the Eucharist, written throughout, for the purpose of showing that in the Christian Church there is no such thing as a material

¶ Nowell's Reproof of Dorman's Proof.

‡ Strypes' Annals, vol. 1, Part 1, pp. 160, &c.

sacrifice since that of Christ on the cross; no Priest, in the sense of an offerer of sacrifice, but Christ himself, and therefore no altar but that of his cross. Allow me to quote from that and from another of his works a few passages: "I conceive (he says) so unfavourably of whatever may lead, by *remote consequence*, to creature worship, as to give a caution against a notion which sometimes appears in writers, who were sincere, though inconsistent Protestants. 'The notion is that there is in the Eucharist a *real sacrifice*, that it is offered upon an *altar*; and that the officiating minister is a *priest*, in the sense of an offerer of sacrifice. Under the economy of the gospel, there is nothing under the names referred to, except the fulfilment of them in the person of the high-priest of our profession. As to our Church, although she *commemorates* a great sacrifice in the Eucharist, yet she knows of no offering of anything of this description, except in the *figurative* sense in which prayers and alms are sacrifices.—She calls the place on which her oblation is made, not 'an altar,' but 'a table;' although there is no impropriety in calling it an altar also, the word being understood *figuratively*. And as to the minister in the ordinance, although she retains the word Priest, yet she considers it synonymous with Presbyter.'"§ Bp. White said that the Romish error on these heads, "makes an irreconcilable division between us and the Church of Rome;" that the intercommunity of the names altar and table, is only justifiable in an *accommodated or figurative* sense; "for although an altar may be called a table because of some common properties which they serve, it does not follow that any table not possessed of the discriminating property of the altar, may be so called. It is like occasional calling of a Church, a house. Such it is, without its being right to call every house a church. In short, an altar is a place of sacrifice; and the taking of its name carries by implication its distinguishing property,"¶ He said that the errors concerning Priest, sacrifice and altar, against which he was contending, and which were precisely those which are now striving so powerfully to gain prevalence in our Church, and have already gained such alarming accessions, "appeared at first in the closet lucubrations of the few writers (of antiquity) whose works have been handed down; crept in gradually; and began in the *literal* application of language which had been all along, and may be now, *figuratively* used on the respective points. In England (he continues) the doctrine was completely put down at the Reformation. If, in later times, the notion has been entertained by some of the clergy of the Ch. of England, it has not crept into her public institutions." The venerable author closed his Dissertation on the Eucharist, from which I have just quoted, with these almost prophetic words: "*The author would lament an approach to the opposite theory, (opposite to that which he was advocating,) among the clergy and other members of the Church as having a threatening aspect on her peace.*" An approach even to the doctrine of a real sacrifice and priest and altar in the Eucharist, Bp. White thus deprecated as dangerous to the peace of the Church. How like

§ Bp. White's Lectures on the Catechism, Lect. V.

¶ Diss. on the Eucharist.

he was in this to the views of the English Reformers ! When, with Archbishop Parker at their head, they addressed themselves to Queen Elizabeth, giving certain reasons why it was not convenient that the communion should be ministered at an altar, one was that “ the consciences of many thousands, which from their hearts embrace the Gospel, would be wounded by continuance of altars ; and great numbers would abstain from receiving the communion at an altar ; which in the end might grow to occasion of *great schism and division* among the people.”*

Alas ! if Bp. White would have lamented even “ *an approach*” to the theory which he wrote against, what would he feel were it his cross to live in these days of the boasted revival of the misnamed “ Catholic System,” when one may forfeit his good name as a churchman if he profess the simple Gospel truth concerning the Eucharist which that good man taught, and when the bold teaching in a Protestant Episcopal Church of the precise form of error which he opposed, has become so frequent, that we have lost the sense of its being a strange sound of doctrine, and scarcely notice it. Did that wise and watchful father conceive it his duty to raise his voice against the *least beginning* of a tendency to Romish error at a period when the prospect of its ever spreading among us was not even as a little cloud upon the horizon, the bigness of a man’s hand ; and is it a gratuitous and needless work to take precautions against the same error now when the storm has shrouded the sky, and the winds of that evil doctrine have already caused so many to loose their anchorage and drive towards those dark shores of superstition and idolatry, where others have already made shipwreck of the faith ?

I fully agree with Bishop White that any approach toward the theory which he opposed, of a real sacrifice, priest and altar, would endanger the peace of the Church. That peace is now endangered precisely as he feared. But where lies the blame ? On those who like himself have endeavored to protect and maintain the integrity of our Church’s doctrine against all innovations, contending earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints, and subsequently revived at the Reformation, and now professed in our Articles and Liturgy and Homilies ; or does it lie on all such as attempt to break in upon the established standards and the well known teaching and usages of our Church with novelties which our fathers knew not of and could not bear ?

I trust, my brethren, I have now said enough to show that in the step I have taken, I have not acted without consideration, without precedent, without reason. Viewed in one aspect, as the world would view it, I may seem to have made a great deal out of a very trifling matter. So it seemed to the world when Epiphanius, a Bishop in the 4th century, when image-worship was in the seed, tore away from the door of a Church a picture of Christ, and to pour condemnation upon the admission of such things into Churches, ordered that the painted cloth be used to bury a dead man in.† The subsequent history of the worship of images and pictures in the Churches, teaches us

* Strype’s Annals, as before cited

† Homily on Peril of Idolatry, p. II.

how well it would have been had all men seen with the same eyes as that faithful Bishop. God grant that the progress of events within a few years to come may not speak a language quite as strong in vindication of those who now plant their protests against an invading Romanism beside things so unimportant to some eyes as altars and crosses, and who strive to escape the final and full issues of evil, by thus resisting the beginnings. *Obsta Principiis.*

I close this prolonged address, with again requesting you, my brethren, to remember that in what I have said I have had no reference to any one parish or person in the Diocese. In what I have already done in this connection, I have censured none, I have imputed no wrong motive to any, and now I have no censure to give, or wrong motive to aim at. Therefore let not any one of the clergy present, or of the parishes represented, suppose that I have spoken to, or of, either of them, in this address, more than of others.

Now may the God of truth and love and peace and holiness, be mercifully with us in our present meeting and further us with his continual help, that all our doings being ordered by his governance may be righteous in his sight, through Jesus Christ our Lord!

CHAS. P. McILVAINE.

DELAWARE, August 7, 1846.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Ashtabula County.

St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.

REV. JOHN HALL, Rector.

As I am about taking a voyage for my health and do not expect to return in season to attend Convention next month, I must report the state of the Church in this parish as follows, by letter.

Families 42 : Baptised persons, 233 ; of whom are adults (males above 21 years) 54, (females above 18 years) 77 ; Total number of adults 131 : Baptisms of Adults 6, of Children 10, Total 16 : Confirmed 18 : Communicants added 20 : removed 13 : died 2 : present number 126 : Deaths of adults 3.

In other respects the condition of the Church in this parish is much as it was last year.

Trinity Church, Jefferson.

A. C. HUBBARD, Senior Warden.

Has been favoured with ministerial services, by Ministers of the Holy Apostolic Church, on four occasions, including the visit of our Bishop.

Baptized 1 adult : Confirmed 5 : Communicants added 5 : died 1 : present number 13.

St. Michael's Church, Unionville.

L. B. SEYMOUR, Clerk.

Baptisms 4, children : Funerals 1 : Communicants 24.

This parish suffers materially in consequence of its members being scattering, and living so remote from the Church edifice. The Church has not been opened for Divine service but once, since the last Convention, at which time the Bishop preached and administered the Holy Sacrament of baptism to four children.

Divine service is regularly performed by lay-reading, about six miles distant from the Church, in the neighborhood of which a number of families of this parish reside. The Rev. John Hall attended one burial in this place.

St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth.

JOSEPH MANN, Senior Warden.

The Senior Warden of St. Matthew's Church, Plymouth, Reports to the Bishop that they have had no clerical services, since the last Convention, except the Bishop's visitation on the 28th of May, held service and preached. After service baptised five infants: Communicants about the same as when last reported. Raised for the support of the Episcopate, fourteen dollars: for Contingent expenses, three dollars and twenty five cents, all of which is respectfully submitted.

REV. JOHN L. BRYAN, Missionary,

Reports as follows: Since the Report of 1845, he continued to preach at Harts Grove and Rowe, every fourth Sunday in each, until the winter set in. From January to May, 1846, he confined his labors to Windsor, the place of his residence, preaching once every two weeks, during that time. About the first week in May it pleased God to visit him with a distressing cough, which frailty affected his lungs in such a way, as to unfit him for public prayer and preaching, which debility still continues. He endeavors to submit with patience, to this visitation of his Heavenly Father, under the full conviction, that it is sent in mercy and goodness, and his earnest prayer is, that it may be so sanctified as to yield the peaceable fruits of righteousness.

*Cunahoga County.**Trinity Church, Cleveland.*

REV. RICHARD BURY, Rector.

Baptisms (adult 1. Infants 26,) total 27: Communicants (added 21, four communicants for the first time, one restored, and the remainder received from other parishes—2 returned—lost one by death, and about 16 by removals, &c.,) present number about 166.

Confirmations 2: Marriages 10 in Cleveland, and 2 elsewhere, total 11: Funerals 14: S. S. Scholars about 140, average attendance say 60 to 80: Male and Female superintendents, 1 each. with 15 to 20 teachers. The reduction, somewhat, in numbers, from last year's report, occasioned chiefly by transfers to Grace Church.—Hope to have the deficiency, by degrees, more than made up. Pecuniary contributions as follows:

For Episcopate	\$100,00
Towards Bishop's travelling expenses incurred by visitation of this and other parishes	10,00

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For contingent fund	23,00
For Missionary purposes, General and Diocesan	195,00
To candidate for Holy Orders, at Gambier, from Ladies' Sewing Society of the parish, \$50,00—weekly offerings \$25,00	75,00
To St. Paul's parish, Euclid, towards finishing its church, from Ladies' society	50,00
A considerable amount also from individuals, but cannot say how much	
Box of clothing, &c., &c., and barrel with crockery, for Nashotah Mission, at least	130,00
For repairing, cleaning and painting parish Church, \$100,00 from Ladies society, and remainder by subscription, over	300,00
Communion alms for the poor	135,80
Weekly contributions of S. S. Scholars for benevolent objects, not having the entries before me, unable to state exact amount, but think it may safely be put down, at the lowest, at	35,00
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Whole amount of expenditures, exclusive of Rector's salary, &c.	\$1053,80

Religious condition of the parish not materially different from that of the preceding year. Still abundant room for improvement.

Grace Church, Cleveland.

REV. ALEXANDER VARIAN, Rector.

Accepted the Rectorship of Grace church, May 25, 1846. Have held public service in the Parish twice every Lord's day, since that date. Baptized 3 children: received one that had been baptized in sickness: one marriage: four funerals, 2 adults and 2 children.

I am not yet enabled to report the number of families and communicants.

St. Paul's Church, Euclid.

L. L. ADAMS, Clerk.

There has been but little alteration in this Parish the past year.—We have received, occasionally, services from the following Reverend Gentlemen, viz: R. Bury, Burton, Stout, and Brunson. Marriages 1; Confirmation one. The Sabbath School remains about the same as reported last year. The Church which we commenced about a year since, there has been some little delay in furnishing, but we are now at work upon it, and shall proceed as fast as our means come in for that purpose.

Gallia County.*St. David's Church, Centreville.***REV. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, Missionary.**

Rev. Abraham Edwards reports to the Bishop that no material change has taken place in the parish under his charge, during the past year. With the exception of one Sunday, the services of the Church have been regularly performed on Sundays and Wednesdays, and the principal festivals and fasts. The congregation is large and attentive to the preached gospel. But with humility the Missionary would look back upon the past year as one of lukewarmness, and spiritual deadness, when compared with the preceding ones. May the Lord revive his cause among us.

Baptisms, infants 16: Marriages 2: Burials 1: New Communicants added 3: Died 1: removed 1: present number of Communicants 81. The Sunday School consists of 70 scholars and 10 teachers.

Delaware County.*St. Peter's Church, Delaware.***REV. E. H. CANFIELD, Rector.**

Baptisms 11: Communicants, former number, 79: removed 5: suspended 1: died 2: added 5: present number 76: Marriages 5: Burials 5: Sunday School Scholars 135: Teachers 24: Bible class 13: contributions for Diocesan Missions about \$20: for completing and finishing the Church \$2500: for the support of the Episcopate \$40: for the contingent fund of the Diocese \$10.

*St. John's Church, Worthington.***REV. R. S. ELDER, Rector.**

Baptisms, infants 1: Marriages 2: Funerals 0: Communicants 33: Sunday School scholars 50: Teachers 6: The connection with Grace Church, Berkshire, ceased in October last.

*Grace Church, Berkshire.***JOSEPH PRINCE, ICHABOD PLUM, Wardens.**

The present state of the parish at Berkshire is not what it ought to be. We have no labour of a Minister at present. The parish has suffered much the past year; present number of Communicants belonging to the parish, about twenty, the greatest part of whom are females.

H a m i l t o n C o u n t y .

Christ Church, Cincinnati.

REV. J. T. BROOKE, Rector.

The Rector reports to the Bishop, the following statistics, for the past year.

Marriages 9 : Infant Baptisms 21 : Communicants added 4 : Funerals 7 : Contributions to religious objects, from monthly collections about \$800 ; from Ladies' Benevolent Society, about \$350 : Total \$1150.

The Rector feels duly humbled, he trusts, at these results of the most fruitless year of his labours in this church. But while conscious that he has not laboured and prayed as faithfully as he might have done, he must not omit to state that much ill health, with the necessity of travelling to restore it, has prevented him from preaching, for more than six months of the past year. And he takes this occasion to express his gratitude, under God, to the people of his charge, for the patience and kindness with which they have borne with his infirmities, and their prompt liberality in affording him the means of employing, as his assistant, his much esteemed friend and brother, the Rev. Alfred Blake.

Trinity Church, Cincinnati.

REV. ALFRED BLAKE, D.D., Rector.

This Parish, although but recently organized, has accomplished much in the way of preparation for extensive usefulness. A very large and eligible lot was presented to the parish by the Pendleton family, upon which a neat and comfortable Church has been erected, This was accomplished mainly, by the untiring industry, and self-sacrificing devotion of W. S. Drummond, Esq., who, at various times, collected from the benevolent of the more wealthy churches, funds to prosecute the work. Through the kind liberality of Col. Pendleton, the payment of the last dollar was provided for before the church was opened for worship. It is, therefore, wholly and entirely free from debt.

Sunday School Teachers 10 : Pupils 75 : Baptisms 10 : Communicants 20. Since Easter I have been connected with Christ Church as Assistant Minister ; keeping up at the same time the service of Trinity.

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati.

REV. GEORGE D. GILLESPIE, Rector.

Baptisms, adults 0, infants 24 : Total 24 ; of these in private 8 : Communicants (admitted 4, received 25—4 of these from City Parishes ; not found at date of last report but since discovered, 4 :) Total added 33 : died 3 : removed 11 : connected themselves with other City Parishes 2 : ceased to attend and commune at St. Paul's but not transferred 20 : withdrawn 1 : united with the Methodists 1 :

present number 150 : Marriages 11 : Burials 13, (two out of the Parish) : Public Services on Sundays 88, on other days 68 : Total number of services 156 : Children catechised 10 times : Sunday School Teachers, [male 8, female 11] : Total 19 : Pupils [male 50, female 56] : Total 106 : Average attendance 70 : Communion administered publicly 11 times, in private once.

The monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows :

For Foreign Missions—China and Africa,.....	\$28,84
“ Domestic Missions,.....	22,03
“ Diocesan Education,.....	16,30
“ Contingent Fund of the Diocese,.....	16,00
“ Church Extension Society of the Parish,.....	52,42
“ Sunday School of the Parish,.....	24,00
“ Trinity Church, Cincinnati,.....	67,00
“ Young Men’s Bible Society of Cincinnati,.....	17,00

The following sums have also been collected :

Income of the offertory,.....	245,14
Received for the Church Extension Society from the congregation, in subscriptions and donations,.....	480,00
Collected to pay the assessment of the Episcopate fund,.....	105,00
“ for Domestic Missions after sermon by the Rev. C. Fox, Ag’t. 41,75	
“ by Rev. Mr. Croes for the Church at Terre Haute,.....	19,50
“ in subscriptions to the Young Men’s Bible Society,.....	6,00
“ for a blind man,.....	4,46
“ in the Sunday School for Foreign and Domestic Miss.....	31,37
From a Parishioner, for the Jewish Mission,.....	5,00
“ “ for the N. Y. Bible & C. Prayer Book Society,.....	1,00
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Of the Communicants, reported as having ceased to commune and attend at St. Paul’s, though not transferred, 8 have united with the new Parish of Trinity Church. The proceeds of the Ladies’ Fair and work for the present year, devoted to the Church Extension Society, amounted to \$338. During the past year a society has been formed in the Parish, styled “the Church Extension Society of St. Paul’s Church,” the design of which is to extend the ministrations of our Church in Cincinnati. The efforts of the Society are at present directed to the establishment of a Church in the North West part of the City. A lot has been leased for a term of years and a building placed thereon, the upper story of which is fitted up for services, the lower part being arranged in rooms for renting. The cost of fitting up the building was nearly \$900. The room was opened for services Easter day, April 12th ; since that time service has been performed in the afternoon of Sunday.

The amount raised for this object, out of the Congregation, was \$118:13. The collection at the opening amounted to \$41.

During the season of Lent, this Church was opened for prayers every Litany day, and every day during Passion week ; also, for free service, every Wednesday evening. On Ash-Wednesday and Good-Friday full service held in the morning, and prayers in the afternoon.

Grace Church, Cincinnati.

Rev. R. S. KILLIN, Rector.

Communicants removed 4 : withdrawn 2 : suspended 1 : added 17 : present number 54 : baptisms, infants 13 : Marriages 7 : Funerals 14 : Sunday School scholars 130 : teachers 11.

Rev. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D.D.,

Rector of Cincinnati Academy.

I have been almost wholly engaged during the year, in educational duties in the Cincinnati Classical Academy, finding constant opportunity to preach the word in the most effective way of which I am capable to the young. The number of students in the Institution has been 88.

I have officiated and preached on the Sabbath nine times, assisted at the consecration of one church, and solemnized one marriage.

C l a r k C o u n t y .

Christ Church, Springfield.

Rev. A. T. McMURPHY, Rector.

Communicants added 1 : removed 1 : present number 35 : baptisms, infants 2 : Marriages 1 : Funerals 1.

Amounts collected for the Institutions of the Church, at communions \$26:09 ; for Diocesan Missions \$16:66 ; Foreign \$9:16 : Domestic \$1:46 ; for the Society for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergymen \$6:00 ; for the Church at Wooster \$5:00 ; for the Jews \$2:50 ; Total \$66:77.

Sunday School Scholars 50 : average attendance 43 : teachers, including Superintendent 14 ; average attendance 9 : Sunday School offerings since last Convention, \$8:50.

E r i e C o u n t y .

Grace Church, Sandusky City.

Rev. L. N. FREEMAN, Rector.

Baptisms, infants 13 : adults 1 : total 14 : Communicants added 13 : removed 1 : present number 77 : confirmed 11 : Burials 2 : Marriages 6 : Sunday School scholars 60 : teachers 8 :

For the Episcopate Fund \$30 ; for Convention Fund \$5 ; for Domestic Missions \$31 ; Foreign \$4 ; Diocesan Missions \$50:25 ; Diocesan Education \$20 ; Communion Alms \$53:43—\$28:72 have been advanced from the Communion Alms to the Missions mentioned above.—For the Erie County Bible Society \$100 ; Grace Church female Sewing society have contributed towards the liquidation of the Or-

gan debt \$254:23 ; also for lamps for the Church \$19:77 ; Total amount of contributions by the Parish \$568:45.

The parish, it will be perceived, is flourishing in every aspect of it, and the Rector is happy to be able to say, that it "is built as a city that is at unity in itself," and that he is receiving such co-operation from his parishioners as is essential to make his labors successful, and to encourage his heart. His Missionary services have been rendered at Venice, a small village three miles from Sandusky City, where he has officiated 8 or 9 times, and baptized three children.

St. Luke's Church, Milan, and St. John's, Wakeman.

Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR, Missionary.

Reports that about the middle of December last, he removed to Milan, Erie county, where a parish was soon after organized. Since then he has held regular services 3 Sundays out of every 4. Having no Church edifice, a school house has been occupied as a place of worship.

Communicants 12 ; added from abroad 1 ; Baptisms, children 5 ; marriages 1 ; Bible class 10 members ; Sunday School Teachers 7 ; Scholars 40 ; moneys contributed for missions \$3 : for the benefit of the parish, by Ladies' Sewing Society \$1:25.

He has also had charge of St. John's Church, Wakeman, (Huron county,) in connexion with that at Milan, where he has officiated one Sunday out of every four. He found there a small church building barely enclosed. Upwards of \$100 have been subscribed, and this, together with some assistance from abroad, has enabled the parish to undertake the completion of its place of worship.

Communicants 29 : died 1 : dropped 2 : total 26 : Burials 1 : Sunday School teachers 6 : scholars 26.

F r a n k l i n C o u n t y .

Trinity Church, Columbus.

Rev. ALEXANDER F. DOBB, Rector.

Baptisms, infants 22, adult 2, total 24 : marriage 1 : confirmed 0 : some 12 or 15 are waiting for the visit of the Bishop : Communicants about 140 ; Sunday Schools and Bible Class as heretofore. Contributions to various benevolent purposes, say \$300.

The *financial system* of this Church has been, from its commencement, a source of much, and painful anxiety to its ministers, and of embarrassment to the congregation. It "contributed largely to deprive the congregation of the services of the two ministers who preceded the present Pastor." Finding it the wish and determination of the vestry to close the Church, until it should, by consent of the pew-owners, be placed on a more permanent basis ; and in order, in these circumstances, to release the vestry from further responsibility as to my support, I resigned the rectorship ; and have accepted, for the present, an agency for missions, under the Ecclesiastical author-

ity of the Diocese. The church is closed by resolution of the vestry, until the owners of pews shall consent to taxation, or some more equitable and efficient mode than the present, of defraying the necessary expenses, shall be adopted.

During a ministry of four years, the congregation has been very greatly increased, the church edifice enlarged, and the facilities for the support of public worship much improved. The communicants have increased from 65 or 70 to over 160; besides not a few who have died or removed, who were brought to Christ within that period. The Sunday School has been tripled in numbers. And many delightful seasons of the sacred communion of saints, have been enjoyed. By unanimous consent the church was never as flourishing in all these respects as now. In view of these results, I desire humbly and devoutly to exclaim with the Apostle, "now, thanks be unto God, which always causeth us to triumph in Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us, in every place."

St. Paul's Church, Columbus.

Rev. H. L. RICHARDS, Rector.

Baptisms, adults 3, infants 19, total 22: Burials 4: Communicants reported last year 63; added 12, 5 from other denominations; removed 5; excluded 1; present number 69; Sunday School scholars 60; teachers 12.

Funds collected, for Missions, monthly collections for 11 months, \$86:89; special collection for Rev. Mr. Fox, General Agent \$40: common offerings about \$36:00. Some \$300 have been raised in various ways towards finishing and defraying the expenses of the Church.

A number of candidates for Confirmation are awaiting the visitation of the Bishop. Services have been sustained through the year in the country congregation connected with St. Paul's. Five persons are ready for confirmation there.

Huron County.

St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.

S. PATRICK, and O. JENNEY, Wardens.

In making a statement of the condition of the Church at this place some particulars may be omitted in consequence of the Rev. Mr. Hough's leaving the Parish in May last. The first of May last there were 67 communicants, 7 of whom have since removed, leaving the present number 60. Baptisms, since last Convention, up to first of May last, adults 1, children 7; confirmations 10; burials 7; marriages 4. Since the resignation of Mr. Hough we have had Lay-Reading each Sunday with the exception of four; two of those our desk was occupied by the Rev. Mr. Bronson, and two of which no services have been had, in consequence of repairs being made to the Church.

*Journal of the Convention**Trinity Church, Lyme*

Rev. EPHRAIM PUNDERSON, Rector.

The following comprises a statistical report of my charge for the last Conventional year.

Baptized, infants 2, adults 3, total 5; communicants 23; marriages 4; number of families 24; communion offerings \$14:30; paid over to Episcopate \$5:20.

*Knox County.**Harcourt Parish.*

Rev. THOMAS M. SMITH, Rector.

Took charge of the Parish in December last; since that time 19 have been added to the communion. There have been 4 baptisms, (2 adults and 2 infants,) and 3 Funerals; 12 have been confirmed. The present number of communicants, including students in the Theological Seminary and Kenyon College, is 88: The Sunday School numbers 123.

St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon.

Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, Rector.

Communicants, died 2; removed 5; withdrawn 2; dismissed 9; stricken from the list for non-attendance 8; total 26; added 12; Baptisms, adults 3, infants 3, total 6; confirmed 11; marriages 6; burials 4; present number of communicants 105. Contributions to Domestic missions \$13:64; to Diocesan Missions and Education \$24:83; society for the relief of Widows and Orphans &c., \$9:12½.

Kenyon College.

Rev. S. A. BRONSON, President.

Reports to the Bishop that having been occupied with College duties, he has only preached occasionally in Ross Chapel and other places, as opportunities have been afforded. Aside from duties strictly Academical, he has held a weekly lecture in the College Chapel on Sunday evenings, in which he has, during the year, gone through with a course of lectures upon the Catechism.

Milnor Hall.

Rev. N. BADGER.

Reports that during the year his time has been almost exclusively devoted to the duties growing out of his connexion with Milnor Hall. He has kept prominently in view the moral and religious culture of the youths committed to his care. All of them have been carefully taught the Church Catechism, the collects, select hymns and portions of scripture. And although none of his pupils have publicly re-

nounced the world; he is still permitted to rejoice in the belief, that they have in no instance deteriorated in morals or religious feelings, but have, in many cases, made a very decided improvement both in conduct and principles.

Jefferson County.

St. Paul's Church, Steubenville.

Rev. INT. MORSE, Rector.

Baptisms, infants 11; confirmations 5; Communicants removed 12. added 12; present number 116; burials 9; Marriages 2; Sunday School scholars, 65.

Benevolent contributions as follows, viz: Missions in Ohio \$13:31; General Domestic Missions \$28:00; Foreign Missions for Africa \$9:00; Education in China \$25:00; Relief of St. James' Church, Wooster \$11:00; Clerical Widows' and Orphans' Society \$12:50; Sunday School Library \$12:37; and for support of the Episcopate \$50:00; Total \$161:18; besides monthly collections for contingent expenses of the parish.

Lectures to a small congregation on Wednesday evening, and catechetical instruction on Sunday, to such children of the parish as can be induced to attend, are still continued almost without failure.

In other places Mr. M., has officiated twelve times, and has baptised an infant, and attended one funeral, both in the diocese of Virginia; the latter the venerable relict of the late Rev. John Armstrong.

St. James' Church, Cross Creek.

Rev. RICHARD GRAY, Rector.

We have had to lament over much spiritual deadness in our Parish during the past year. Our congregation continues about the same, and we have had but few additions to the communion. We have a Bible Class and Sunday School, which will prove, I trust, nurseries for the Church. I have continued my week day preaching through the neighborhood as usual.

Baptisms, infant 3; funerals 2; marriages 1; communicants added 1; died 1; removed 3; total 71; confirmed 4. Paid assessment \$6:00; Episcopate \$20:00.

St. Thomas' Church, St. Clairsville, (Belmont county.)

Rev. RICHARD GRAY, Minister.

I have continued my labors in this Parish, as before, during the past year. The congregation is encouraging. I also continue my week day services three miles south of the village, with much promise of future good. Baptisms, infant 1; communicants added 1; total 23. Paid assessment \$2; Episcopate \$10.

Besides these duties, I have exchanged with my brethren at Whee-

ling, Steubenville, Zanesville and Deersville, and have preached many times on the week day through the country.

St. John's Church, Springfield.

Rev. A. WHEELER, Rector and Missionary.

During the year past I have laboured one half of the time in Springfield, and the other half in the counties of Jefferson, Carroll, and Harrison, until April 23rd; since which I have preached one half the time in Springfield, and the other half in Deersville. I have preached every Sunday in the year past.

Communicants removed 3, added 2, excluded 2, whole number 29; baptisms, infants 5; marriages 2; funerals 4; confirmed 1; contributed to Episcopate fund \$5; to General Fund \$2; to Missionary fund \$9:69. Sabbath School scholars 40; teachers 8:

St. Alban's Church, Deersville, (Harrison county.)

Rev. A. WHEELER, Rector.

Confirmations 11; communicants 16; contributed to Episcopate fund \$3:87; to General fund 88 cents; to Missionary fund \$4:24; marriages 3; funerals 2; baptisms 3, 1 adult and 2 children. The congregation at Deersville is small, but good, and I hope they may, in the good providence of the Lord, enjoy the preached word.

L o r a i n C o u n t y .

St. Andrew's Church, Elyria.

Rev. A. BRONSON, Missionary.

Marriages 1; burials 2; communicants 25.

Besides the death of two communicants, this Parish has suffered much by removals. The remaining members, however, are united and attentive, and have made an arrangement to employ the Rev. Mr. Granville, a part of the time for the year to come. The subscriber resigned his Parish in Boston last January, and took charge of this in February, but will close his connection with it at the rising of this Convention.

Rev. L. L. HOLDEN, Missionary.

Reports that during the past year, his time has been divided between the Parishes in Grafton, Penfield, Columbia, and Strongsville, giving Grafton one half, Penfield one fourth, and Columbia and Strongsville the other fourth. Preaching three times the same days in the two places. He has also performed occasional Saturday evening services at Penfield, and preached thirteen times out of the bounds of his parishes.

St. Stephen's Church, Grafton.

Baptisms, adults 1 ; marriages 2 ; funerals 2 ; confirmations 1 ; communicants reported last year 38 ; added by baptism 1 ; confirmation 1 ; from other parishes 1 ; diminished by removals 7 ; death 1 ; present number 34 ; collections for Missions, &c., \$23:72.

Christ Church, Penfield.

Funerals 1 ; confirmations 5 ; communicants last year 8, 4 being candidates for confirmation ; diminished by death 1 ; present number 8 ; collections for Missions \$3:28½ ; Bishop's salary \$8.

St. Philip's Church, Strongsville.

Baptisms, infants 2 ; communicants about 14 ; collections \$1:32 ; services performed 10 times ; communion administered 2.

St. Luke's Church, Columbia.

Baptisms, infant 3 ; no communicants ; collections for Missions \$2:79 ; services performed 16 ; Sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered 3 times.

L a k e C o u n t y .

St. James' Church, Painesville,

Rev. CHARLES B. STOUT, late Rector.

Families in town and country about 40 ; communicants removed 4 ; died 2 ; stricken from the list for non-attendance 2 ; added 1 ; present number 78 ; confirmed 4 ; baptised adults 1, children 15 ; total 16. Sunday School scholars 56 ; teachers 9 ; contributions for Domestic Missions \$10 ; paid assessment in part for last year for Bishop \$15, this year \$15, total \$30 ; St. James' Church, Wooster, \$2 ; Society for Relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen \$3:00 ; alms and incidental expenses about \$20 ; to pay off balance of old debt about \$135 ; total \$200.

The above report extends only to the first of June, at which time the Rector relinquished the charge of the Parish, and accepted the Rectorship of St. Philip's Church, Circleville. He earnestly hopes a successor may soon be found to supply the vacancy in St. James' ; and be abundantly successful in building up the Church of the Redeemer.

The Parish is now free from debt ; the church has been greatly improved in the arrangement of the chancel, desk and pulpit ; and has been entirely painted inside and out ; and the ladies with praiseworthy zeal, have supplied it with a beautiful set of Solar Lamps.—May the Divine blessing rest upon the flock of his late charge !

Lucas County.*Trinity Church, Toledo.*

Rev. D. I. BURGER, late Rector.

On or about the 6th of June last, I resigned, (for the third time,) the Rectorship of Trinity Church.

Baptisms, adults 5, infants 15, (7 at Maumee,) total 20; communicants added 17; removed 8; died 1; present number 42; confirmed 13; married 1; burials at Toledo 11, Maumee 2, Manhattan 1, total 14.

Licking County.*Trinity Parish, Newark.*

Rev. GEORGE DENISON, Rector.

Communicants reported last year 97; added 7; total 104; removed 9; died 2; suspended 1; stricken off for con-communion 1; on record 91. Two or three other families have virtually removed, although, as yet, they have taken no certificate. Baptisms, adult 1, infants 13, total 14; burials 10; marriage 1.

The removals from this parish, the three past years have been numerous and disheartening. The Sunday Schools are prosperous.—An additional morning school for colored children has been established, and is very flourishing. A day school for these children has also been established by a few of the ladies of our church, the expense of which is willingly shared by members of other denominations. These colored children learn with very great rapidity. I believe there are about 40 colored persons in town of an age to be benefitted by these means, most of whom gladly improve them.

The parish has contributed \$41:00 to the Episcopate and Diocesan funds. The young ladies connected with Miss Hinds' select school have sent \$18 to the China Mission, and the Female Missionary Society, besides much parochial work, has sent \$8, to the Ohio Missions, and have also constituted their Pastor a member of the Society "for the relief of the Widows and Children of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio," and have made the first two annual payments—a hint which need but be named to be followed by the ladies of many other congregations.

St. Luke's Church, Granville.

Rev. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, Rector.

Congregation, families 29; adults 77, children 105; total 182; baptisms, infants 1; communicants, removed 7; present number 50; marriages 1; Sunday School teachers 10; scholars 30. Collections for the Episcopate \$16; Sunday School library \$15; total \$31.

This parish continued to be vacant from the period of Rev. Mr. Bronson's resignation, previous to the last Convention, until my or-

dination, on the 25th January last; during which interval the vestry acknowledge with gratitude, their indebtedness to the Rev. Alvah Sanford, Principal of the Granville Female Seminary, by whose kind and gratuitous labors they were enabled to continue the services of the Church without interruption.

REV. ALVAH SANFORD,

Reports to the Bishop that his duties in common with Granville Female Seminary occupy the principal part of his time. This Institution still continues to receive a liberal share of patronage, and if the anxious desires of those concerned in its management are realized, will be an instrument of good in building up the Redeemer's kingdom. In addition to his duties in the Seminary he officiated for three or four months in St. Luke's Church, Granville, during a vacancy in the Rectorship, occasioned by the resignation of the Rev. S. A. Bronson.

M u s k i n g u m C o u n t y .

St. James' Church, Zanesville.

REV. W. A. SMALLWOOD, Rector.

Baptisms, adults 2, children 5, total 7; marriages 4; funerals 4; communicants, lost by removal 8, by death 1, by mistake in last year's report 1, by suspension 2, by expulsion 1; addition 14, by removal into the parish 9, new communicants 5, total 103. Sunday School teachers 10, scholars 77. Collections for missions \$50; Colonization \$20; alms for the poor \$50; Bishop's salary \$38; Convention assessment \$15. Two Sabbaths have been given to Missionary services in vacant parishes.

Our communion is larger than it has ever been. The Congregation is likewise large. Though our town has suffered a serious loss of population within the last few years, the number of attendants on our services has much increased. We have, however, great reason for deploring a prevalent carelessness on the part of those, who are not, and an alarming lukewarmness on that of those, who profess to be, christians. There are very many, who would willingly come to the communion, if we would encourage the offering of the unconverted heart, and the unholy life; but we have to preach not only Christ crucified, but also the taking up of the cross daily, and in neither sense is the offence of the cross ceased. It is evident that our chief need is the presence and power of the spirit of Christ, and that beyond measure we need it.

Zion Church, Dresden, St. Matthew's Church, Madison, and St. Mark's Church, Mill-creek.

REV. GEO. B. STURGESS, Missionary.

The present minister of these three parishes began his labours amongst them, under the patronage of the General Missionary Board,

on the first of last January. They had then been two years without the regular services of the ministry, and being at best quite feeble parishes they had consequently much declined. Some had become indifferent to the interests of the Church and religion: others in despair of having again the ministrations of the Gospel in the Church of their choice, had gone over to other communions. Immediately, however upon the revival of stated services, the hopes of the few remaining friends of the Church revived, and now there seems a good prospect of their growth in piety, usefulness and numbers.

In Zion Church, Dresden, there have been three added to the communion, one of these from another Church; present number of communicants 11. We are greatly hindered here by the want of a Church edifice of our own, we shall soon make the effort, if the Lord permit, to build one; but so few in number and small in means are we, that we have often to pray, "Lord increase our faith!" in order to believe that we shall succeed. Contributions to the Episcopate fund \$7; to the General fund \$3.

In St. Matthew's Church, Madison, there have been six added to the communion, one of these from another Church, and two by letter from St. James' Church, Zanesville. The present number of communicants is 21. Contributions for missions \$1:50; for the Episcopate fund \$10; for the General fund \$2. Here we have a small but neat Church edifice nearly ready for consecration, there is also an annuity to the Church of \$75, derived from the estate of a faithful and devout, but now deceased member. The present prospects of this little parish are truly encouraging, and the people seem to be very thankful for what the Lord hath done, and is doing for them, and show great kindness and affection towards His minister; and seem to profit by his "labours of love." The baptisms in this parish have been three infants.

In St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek, (Coshocton county,) there has been one added to the communion, who is from another church; present number of communicants 34; the baptisms have been 3 infants; funerals 1; contributions for Missions \$5:50; for the Episcopate fund \$7; for repairs on the old Log Church Edifice \$40.— This Church is situated immediately in the woods, about three miles from the town of Keene, and is one of the oldest in the Diocese. At a recent meeting of the vestry, a committee was appointed to take into consideration the propriety of an effort to build a church in the town, and proceed accordingly. This could be done without doubt was there a resident minister, as it is, it seems quite uncertain. The minister of these parishes complains that his charge is too great, his field too large, and the calls upon him for ministerial work many more than he can answer. There should be an additional missionary in this field. Funds for domestic missions could scarce be better appropriated.

Montgomery County.

Christ Church, Dayton.

Rev. W. W. ARNETT, Rector.

The Rev. W. W. Arnett reports, baptisms, infants 3; marriages 3; funerals 4; new communicants added 10; added from other parishes 2; total 12; died 1; present number 72.

Medina County.

St. Paul's Church, Medina.

Rev. G. S. DAVIS, Rector.

Congregation, families 78; adults 228; children 80; total 308; baptisms, adults 2; infants 12; total 14; confirmed 2; communicants admitted 7; received 11; total 18; died 2; removed 5; present number 131; marriages 10; burials 17; public services on Sundays 131; on other days 42; total 173; Sunday School teachers, males 3; females 8; total 11; Pupils, males 14; females 30; total 44; children catechized 6 times. Monthly collections have been made and appropriated as follows: Diocesan Missions \$28; Episcopate \$25; Diocesan expense \$5; Foreign and Domestic Missions \$10; Sunday School Library \$10; Parochial objects \$40:60; total \$118:60. The following sums have been collected for other church objects, viz: Church debt \$700; Church repairs and painting \$265; Parochial objects \$525; total \$1490.

As there was no report of St. Paul's Church, last Convention I have reported for the 15 months I have been connected therewith, so far as collections only. In reference to the prosperity of the parish, we have much reason to be thankful to the great Head of the Church. Our attendance is so large that we have need to enlarge our tent. I have a third service during the Summer in the adjoining towns. Monthly communions have usually been held.

Christ Church, Liverpool.

Rev. JOSEPH MAYO, Rector.

The following report is respectfully submitted to the Convention. The duties of this Church have been performed every Sabbath day without interruption, during the past year. At the last visitation of the Bishop, 2 persons were confirmed. 8 persons have been added to the number of communicants by certificate; 2 by confirmation; present number 29. Moneys collected at the offertory \$3:34; forwarded to the Convention in part payment of arrears \$1:14.

Pickaway County.*St. Philip's Church, Circleville.*

Rev. CHARLES B. STOUT, Rector.

Families about 35; communicants removed, several; transferred to St. James', Kingston 4; died 2; added 4; present number about 75; baptisms, adults 3, by the Bishop of the Diocese; children 2, by Rev. Mr. Britton, and 7 by Rev. Messrs. McLeod and Clark; total 9; confirmations in May, 1845, 10; funerals 4; marriages 4 by Rev. Mr. Britton; Sunday School scholars about 50; teachers 8; contributions for Domestic Missions \$50:72; Ladies' Society for Mission and Education society (for Education) \$25; Sunday School for ditto \$8; from ditto for the same object in July 1845, \$8; Mrs. J. G. Doddridge \$5; Miss N. Doddridge \$3; total for Missions and Education \$99:72; communion alms on a single occasion \$4:46; for building a church in Indiana about \$27; assessment in part for Bishop \$30; for convention fund \$4:00; subscription for enlarging and improving the Church and lot about \$700.

The baptisms, confirmations, &c., embrace a period of about 18 months, there having been no report last year. The Rector assumed the charge of this parish on the 1st of June last. At present we are somewhat interrupted in our services, in consequence of the repairs going on. When they are completed, the condition of the parish will be greatly improved. There is believed to exist an encouraging degree of unity and peace. The short time since the services were resumed, after a long suspension, precludes a very accurate report. During the vacancy in the rectorship, the parish was much indebted to the Rev. Mr. Britton, of Chillicothe, for frequent services; and to the Rev. Messrs. Dobb, and Richards for occasional services; notwithstanding which, the parish has suffered much for the want of spiritual oversight. It is much to be desired that means be adopted to render changes less frequent.

Ross County.*St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.*

Rev. JAMES B. BRITTON, Rector.

The Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, would report his parish as very much in the same state it was a year ago, few enquiring what they shall do to be saved, among the many hearers of the word. Yet a good degree of unity, peace and external prosperity exist among us, blessings not to be lightly regarded in these days of apostacy and rebuke. Services have been regularly maintained in the parish twice on the Lord's day and once in the week, and on the Holy days. A third service about once in two or three weeks has been given to Kingston, and one service on a Lord's day afternoon to the Poor House. The parish at Kingston, it is expected, will be stately supplied with a Sunday service once in a fortnight, through the aid of Rev. Mr. Stout, of Circleville.

Our Sunday School numbers 12 teachers, and 60 scholars; 5 couples have been married; 3 at Circleville; 14 infants have been baptised; 2 at Circleville; and 4 at Kingston; and 1 adult; 12 funerals have been attended, an unusual number for us, 9 of them, those of children, victims of the scarlet fever; 13 communicants have been added, 6 of these only, new, 1 has died, 16 have removed, 5 of these latter having been set off to the parish at Kingston, 2 have been suspended, and 2 dropped according to the 15th canon of the Diocese; present number of communicants 102; 6 persons are candidates for confirmation. At Kingston there are 11 communicants, and 2 candidates for confirmation, at which place a lot and house have been purchased, and the latter fitted up for a chapel, and large congregations attended our services.

During the year our cemetery has been laid out after a beautiful plan, the Church has been painted on the outside, as to the wood-work, through the munificence of an individual member, and \$150 are in hand, made at a fair of the young ladies, for an iron railing in front of the Church lot. Communion alms have amounted to \$122:05, \$50 of which were the offerings of communicants for the Bishop's salary, \$50 for the Seminary at Gambier, and \$18:36 towards the collection for the Society for the benefit of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen: \$17 have been collected for the American Bible and Tract Societies; \$7:20 given for a special Missionary purpose by two individuals, and the children's offerings for missions in the Sunday School Fund 15. Our plan of missionary offerings has worked well, upwards of \$300 are subscribed as weekly offerings, and \$229 have been paid in during the year, which have been appropriated as follows: Kingston \$50; Domestic Missions \$100; Foreign \$10; Jewish \$10; Diocesan \$25; parish at Pomeroy \$20.

The Rector of St. Paul's would also gratefully record that no arrearages of salary are due him, and that the church is supplied with one of the best organists, and a sexton who is all we can expect, both communicants, and in short, that so far as temporalities are concerned he has nothing to complain of, but we need more of "the one thing needful," the influence of the Holy Spirit, turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, for which we would constantly and earnestly pray.

Summit County.

St. Paul's Church, Akron.

Rev. R. G. Cox, Rector.

Reports to the Bishop as follows: baptisms, infants 5; marriages 3; burials 6; confirmed 9; number of communicants in last report 56; removed 8; restored 1; added otherwise 15; present number 65; collections for Bible society \$20; Diocesan expenses \$4; Missions \$16.

The parish is in a fair condition in some respects: in others far from being what the Rector desires to see. The coldness of heart in some and want of consistent deportment in others, throw sad dif-

difficulties in the way of the growth and prosperity of the Parish. May the good Spirit of God remove the one; and a sense of the Christian's high calling, the other; that the word of God may have free course and be glorified.

The Sunday School flourished during the Winter and Spring, but has fallen off again this Summer, from causes over which we can have no control. The Rector has reason to believe that the School and Parish, will continue to increase. If the divine Saviour should bless us with a time of refreshing from his presence, they undoubtedly would do so; it is for this the Rector prays and labors. It should be stated that he has rendered what assistance was in his power, to several vacant parishes within his reach.

St. John's Church, Cuyahoga Falls.

Rev. ALVAH GUION, late Rector.

Baptisms, infant 1; communicants removed 2; added 4; present number 49; marriage 1; weekly offerings for Missions or Education \$14:50; raised by Ladies' Society and the Rector, towards the erection of a Parsonage \$130.

Since giving up the above parish I have been labouring as a missionary, mostly in Cincinnati; besides which I have preached in the following places, Cleveland, Wooster, Columbus, Hamilton, Worthington, Troy and Greenville, twice each, and baptised two infants in the latter place. Piqua, preached three times, married one couple, and laid the corner stone of the new edifice of St. James' Church now being erected in that place.

Christ Church, Hudson.

Rev. A. PHELPS, Rector.

Baptisms, infants 7, adults 1, total 8; marriages 1; funerals 3; confirmed 7; present number of communicants 44; added 8; removed by death 2; Sunday School scholars 35; teachers 5; contributions to the Episcopate \$10; for incidental expences \$4; for other objects about \$20; in aid of the Society for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased clergymen \$3.

In consequence of the efforts of the parish to build a Church, (which is now nearly ready for consecration) our contributions to other objects have not been so large as they otherwise would have been. When our Church is finished it will be free of debt. The congregation has considerably increased during the last year. In addition to my labors in Hudson I have held a third service on Sundays at Boston, most of the time since Rev. Abr'm Bronson resigned the charge of the parish. Through the munificence of one of its members, this parish (Bethel Church, Boston,) has now, without incumbrance, a commodious and convenient parsonage with all the conveniences of out-buildings attached thereto, and also in addition a glebe of 50 acres, which was given to the parish by the same individual. This parish hopes to procure the services of a clergyman at an early date.

Sandusky County.

St. Paul's Church, Lower Sandusky.

Rev. H. HOLLIS, Rector.

Baptisms. infant 1; confirmed 15; communicants added 5; received 1; removed 1; died 1; present number 17; marriages 1; burials 4; Sunday School teachers, male 3; female 5; pupils, male 15; female 30; total 45. Collections, Diocesan Missions \$2:50; Episcopate Fund \$10; Contingent Fund \$3; Sunday School Library \$6; Communion alms \$6; total \$27:50.

Scioto County.

All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.

Rev. ERASTUS BURR, Rector.

The Rector reports as follows: baptisms, infants 19; adults 2; total 21; confirmations none, the Bishop not having visited us since the last report; communicants removed 10; died 3; stricken from the list 3; added 13; present number 108; marriages 6; burials 7; Sunday School scholars average attendance 88; teachers 18.

Contributions have been made as usual to the objects ordinarily presented to the charities of the parish. We are quiet and peaceful; but by no means so lively in faith and good works as could be desired. May the Lord return and bless us as in times past.

Stark County.

St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.

Rev. A. CLARK, Rector.

Having assumed the charge of this parish but a few days since, I have no official acts to report. The parish has been for the last year without a Rector, and many removals from it have taken place during the same time, so that when compared with its former prosperity, it exhibits a condition of diminished numbers and enfeebled strength. Upon consulting the parochial register I can find but 43 communicants remaining.

Washington County.

St. Luke's Church, Marietta.

Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP, Rector.

Reports to the Bishop, of baptisms, adult 1, infants 10, total 11; confirmation 1; communicants added by certificate 1; by profession 3; total 5; lost by death 1; removal 1; withdrawn 1; total 3; present number of communicants as enrolled 54; marriages 3; funerals 3. Contributions to various benevolent objects about \$120.

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HENRY LEHMAN, Senior Warden.

The undersigned begs leave to report to the Bishop, present number of communicants 25; removed since last Convention 5.

This parish has been without a clergyman since October last, and has had only three Sunday services during that time. The following sums have been duly and gratefully received in answer to a circular issued by the vestry of said parish last January, viz: Rev. Mr. Morse, Steubenville, Ohio, \$11; Rev. Mr. McMurphy, Springfield, Ohio, \$5; Rev. Mr. Taylor, Milan, Ohio, \$1; Rev. Mr. Stout, Painsville, Ohio, \$2; Rev. Mr. Bronson, Boston, Ohio, \$5; Mrs. J. L. Bowman, Brownsville, Pa., \$16; total \$40.

Rev. D. W. TOLFORD

Reports that since his resignation of the parishes of Greenville and Troy, on account of ill health, he has been engaged in teaching in the Female Seminary at Covington, Ky., and rendering occasional assistance to his clerical brethren in Cincinnati and the adjacent parishes of Covington and Newport. His health is now so much improved that he hopes to be able to take charge of a parish this fall.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

REPORT OF HENRY B. CURTIS, TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE.

*To the 29th Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church
in the Diocese of Ohio.*

The undersigned, Treasurer of said Diocese, submits the following Annual Report:—

No. 1.

EPISCOPATE FUND.

1st. As to the general condition of the Fund.

Amount of arrears carried to Treasurer's book for current		
year,	- - - - -	\$1706 97
" of Assessments for do.	- - - - -	1963 87
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		\$3670 84
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CONTRA.

Amount received in Treasury during the current		
year, (See Table A.)	- - - - -	\$1386 27
" of present arrears,	- - - - -	2284 57
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		\$3670 84
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2nd. As to the present state of the Bishop's Account with said Fund:

Amount due the Bishop, and deficit at the end of last year,	\$345 20
" Bishop's Salary for current year,	- - - 2000 00
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	\$2345 20
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CONTRA:

Amount remitted by Bishop on salary of current year,	-	-	-	-	\$500 00
" paid by Treasurer at sundry times to Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, Bishop of the Diocese, during the current year.					1386 27
" of present deficit to be carried to Bishop's credit in new account,				-	458 93
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					2345 20

GENERAL FUND.

1st. As to the general condition of said Fund:

Amount of arrears carried to Treasurer's book for current					
year,	-	-	-	-	\$429 22
" of Assessments for	do.	-	-	-	427 87
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					\$857 09
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CONTRA:

Amount paid into the Treasury during the current					
year, (See Table A.)	-	-	-	-	\$297 12
" of present arrears,	-	-	-	-	559 97
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					\$857 09
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2nd. As to the present state of the Treasurer's Account with said Fund, and its disbursement:

Amount paid in, during the current year, (See Table A.) \$297 12

CONTRA:

Amount paid out on sundry claims, as per vouchers exhibited, viz:

Henry A. DuBois, on order of General Convention,					
for extra assessment against this Diocese,					\$29 00
A. C. Elliott, 'for transcribing 'Treasurer's Report					
and 'Table for publication,	-	-	-	-	3 00
Rt. Rev. Bishop, on expenses of visitation, received					
by him from collections,	-	-	-	-	7 25
Rev. Joseph Muenscher on sundry expenses in get-					
ting out last Journal	-	-	-	-	3 55
Rev. Mr. Wing, on account for publishing Journal					
of 1844, paid in full,	-	-	-	-	158 52
G. W. Meyers, a bal. due on Journal of 1843,					22 75
Rev. Mr. Smallwood, bal. on expenses to General					
Convention,	-	-	-	-	35 00
Postages, stationery, and sundries,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Balance now in the Treasury,	-	-	-	-	28 05
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					\$297 12
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Table A. accompanying this Report, exhibits a list of the Parishes of this Diocese, alphabetically arranged, the amount paid by each during the current year, and the present arrears—each fund stated separately. All which is respectfully submitted.

H. B. CURTIS,

Treasurer of Diocese of Ohio.

TABLE A

Accompanying the Treasurer's Report, showing the amount paid by each Parish during the current year, and the present arrears—on the respective Funds.

		EPISCOPATE FUND.		GEN'L. FUND.	
		Amt. paid during the year.	Amt. of present Arrears.	Amt. paid during the year.	Amt. of present Arrears.
Ashtabula,	St. Peter's,*		\$ 135 00		\$ 23 00
Akron,	St. Paul's,	\$ 20 00	30 00	\$ 4 00	4 00
Berkshire,	Grace,	12 00	46 00	3 00	3 00
Boardman,	St. James',	12 50	37 50	5 00	16 50
Boston,	Bethel,	17 00	5 00	2 00	1 00
Batavia,	St. James',		4 00		3 00
Cincinnati,	Christ,	200 00		50 00	
Do.	St. Paul's,	200 00	202 00	25 00	50 00
Do.	Trinity,	5 00	10 00	5 00	10 00
Do.	Grace,		85 00		15 00
Cleveland,	Trinity,		50 00		23 00
Do.	Grace,		20 00		3 00
Columbus,	Trinity,	56 00	128 50		46 00
Do.	St. Paul's,	20 00		5 00	
Chillicothe,	St. Paul's,	85 00		15 00	
Cuyahoga Falls,	St. John's,		30 00		7 00
Circleville,	St. Philip's,	30 00	67 25	4 00	20 50
Carlton,	Zion,		4 00		3 00
Columbia,	St. Luke's,		13 00		4 00
Cross Creek,	St. James',	40 00	8 00	6 00	
Centerville,	St. David's,		4 00	1 00	
Delaware,	St. Peter's,*	25 00	93 00	10 00	
Deersville,	St. Alban's,	3 87		87	
Dayton,	Christ Church,*	15 00	51 00		43 00
Dover,	St. John's,		20 00		6 00
Dresden,	Zion,	7 00		3 00	
Elyria,	St. Andrew's,	6 00	33 00	1 00	10 00
East Liverpool,	St. Stephen's,		4 00		5 00
Euclid,	St. Paul's,	5 00		2 00	
Franklin,	Christ Church,		15 00		7 00
Granville,	St. Luke's,	10 00	72 00	5 00	11 00
Gambier,	Harcourt Parish,	17 00	72 00	6 00	
Greenville,	St. Paul's,		15 00		9 00
Grafton,	St. Stephen's,	5 00	20 00	3 00	2 00
Huron,	Christ Church,	7 00	18 00		4 00
Hudson,	Christ Church,	9 00		4 00	
Hamilton,	St. Matthew's,	10 00		2 00	
Jefferson,	Trinity,	5 00		1 00	
Kingston,	St. James',		4 00		1 00
Lyme,	Trinity,		16 50		3 00
Liverpool,	Christ Church,	6 63	8 37		7 00
Lower Sandusky,	St. Paul's,	10 00	19 50	3 00	
Lancaster,	St. John's,		30 00		8 00
Marietta,	St. Luke's,	20 00		5 00	
Mt. Vernon,	St. Paul's,	53 25	54 41		16 00
Massillon,	St. Timothy's,	35 00	25 00	15 00	9 00
Mill Creek,	St. Mark's,		35 00		5 00
Medina,	St. Paul's,*	25 00	24 00	5 00	4 00
Madison,	St. Matthew's,	10 00	20 00	2 00	6 00
Maumee,	St. Paul's,	11 00	67 00		9 00
Newark,	Trinity,	30 00	67 50	11 00	17 00
Norwalk,	St. Paul's,	20 00		11 00	

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Newton Falls,	St. Marks,	20 00		4 00	
Ohio City,	St. John's,	30 00	44 00		32 00
Painesville,	St. James',	30 00	15 00		9 00
Piqua,	St. James'	21 50	73 50	16 00	8 00
Portsmouth,	All Saints',	50 00		20 00	
Plymouth,	St. Matthew's,	14 00		6 25	
Penfield,	Christ Church,	3 00		1 00	1 00
Pittsfield,	Calvary,		2 00		1 00
Rome,	St. Peter's,	2 00	2 00	1 00	3 00
Springfield,	Christ Church,	20 00		4 00	
Steubenville,	St. Paul's,	53 00	59 00		24 00
Strongsville,	St. Philip's,		55 00		6 00
Sandusky City,	Grace,	30 00		5 00	
Springfield,	St. John's,	5 00		2 00	
St. Clairsville,	St. Thomas',	10 00		2 00	5 00
Sydney,	St. Mark's,		4 00		
Troy,	Trinity,		50 00		23 00
Toledo,	Trinity,	10 00	20 00		2 00
Unionville,	St. Michael's,		4 00		4 00
Utica,	St. Paul's,		4 00		4 45
Worthington,	St. John's,	12 00	45 00	3 00	6 52
Warren,	Christ Church,	5 00		2 00	
Wooster,	St. James',		37 00		16 00
Wakeman,	St. John's,		10 00		6 00
Windsor,	Christ Church,		4 00		3 00
Zanesville,	St. James',	38 00	124 00	15 00	

NOTE.—The Parishes marked thus (*) made further payments during the sitting of the Convention ; but being after the Treasurer's Report, such payments will fall into the accounts of the next year.

HENRY B. CURTIS,
Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio.

August 7, 1846.

P. S. For the Assessment of the year 1847, see the Journal, page 24.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MISSIONARY AND
EDUCATION COMMITTEE.

*M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer, in Acct. with the Missionary Fund of
the Diocese of Ohio.*

1845. DR.

Sept. To balance from old account,	-	-	-	\$20 11
rec'd. from St. Paul's, Euclid,	-	-	-	3 00
“ St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	-	-	4 79
“ Collected at Convention, (one-half)				48 86
“ St. John's, Springfield	-	-	-	7 56
“ St. Alban's, Deersville,	-	-	-	4 60
“ Christ Church, Springfield,	-	-	-	2 28
“ Communion coll. St. Paul's, Cincinnati,				27 93
“ Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	-	-	-	17 75

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Nov.	rec'd. from	Trinity Church, Cleveland,	-	17 00
	"	St. Paul's, Norwalk,	-	25 00
	"	St. Alban's, Deersville,	-	7 61½
	"	St. James', Cross Creek,	-	15 00
	"	St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,	-	8 54½
	"	St. Paul's, Medina,	-	10 00
	"	St. Stephen's, Grafton,	-	13 57
	"	Christ Church, Penfield,	-	3 29
	"	St. Luke's, Columbia,	-	1 79
	"	St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,	-	2 50
	"	St. James', Piqua,	-	33 00
	"	Christ Church, Springfield,	-	10 00
	"	Mrs. Dr. Kirtland, Ohio City,	-	3 00
	"	St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls,	-	6 00
	"	Miss. Asso., St. Luke's, Marietta,	-	12 00
	"	Miss N. Doddridge, Circleville,	-	3 00
	"	St. Paul's, Steubenville,	-	13 31
	"	St. Philip's, Strongsville,	-	1 32
	"	Ladies' Miss. So., Trinity Church, Co-	-	
		lumbus,	-	42 20
July	"	M. A. Cowles, Maumee City,	-	10 00
	"	St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	-	12 38
	"	St. Paul's, Medina,	-	5 10
	"	Bethel Church, Boston,	-	1 56
	"	St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	7 66
	"	St. Alban's, Deersville,	-	4 24
	"	St. John's, Springfield,	-	9 69
	"	Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	-	7 60

\$423 25

To bal. Cash in Treasury, \$16 13

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By amount paid	Rev. T. B. Fairchild,	\$34 18
"	" D. W. Tolford,	18 25
"	" J. R. Taylor,	50 50
"	" L. L. Holden,	145 98
"	" A. Wheeler,	77 16
"	" Richard Gray,	69 90
"	" J. L. Bryan,	10 00
"	" postage account,	1 05
	Cash in Treasury,	16 13

\$423 25

M. T. C. WING, Treasurer.

M. T. C. Wing, Treasurer, in Acct. with the Education Fund of the Diocese of Ohio.

To balance from old acct. Scrip	-	\$96 35	
	Cash,	89	
			<u>\$97 24</u>
“ rec'd. from Ladies' Sewing So. St. Philip's, Circleville,			25 00
“ Collection at Convention, (one-half)			48 86
“ All Saints', Portsmouth,	-	-	14 00
“ W. Kinney, do	-	-	20 00
“ do do	-	-	35 00
“ St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	-	16 30
“ Grace Church, Sandusky City,	-	-	20 00
“ Collection in Trinity Church, Columbus,			9 00
“ Ladies of St. Paul's, Boston, Mass.	-	-	76 00
“ Harcourt Parish, Gambier,	-	-	19 60
“ Sunday School, St. Philip's, Circleville,			8 00
“ Lady of do do	-	-	5 00
“ W. Kinney, Portsmouth,	-	-	20 00
“ St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	-	-	10 00
“ St. James', Piqua,	-	-	20 00
“ Christ Church, Hudson,	-	-	10 00
“ Trinity Church, Columbus,	-	-	17 00
“ Demas Adams,	-	-	1 00
“ St. James', Zanesville,	-	-	18 00
“ St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,	-	-	12 45
“ Trinity Church, Columbus,	-	-	8 00
“ Ladies' Society, Trinity Church, Columbus,			8 00
“ Trinity Church, Newark,	-	-	8 00
“ Grace Church, Sandusky,	-	-	25 00
“ St. Paul's, Chillicothe,	-	-	10 00
“ Female Miss. Asso., St. Peter's, Delaware,			12 30
“ St. James, Piqua,	-	-	10 00
“ St. Paul's, Cincinnati,	-	-	2 16
“ St. Paul's, Norwalk,	-	-	3 00
“ Sunday School, Christ Church, Springfield,			5 00
“ Joseph Bassett, Canfield,	-	-	1 00
			<u>\$594 91</u>

To new account College Scrip, \$96 35
 “ Cash in Treasury, - 93

\$97 28

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By amount paid to sundry beneficiaries, \$497 63
 “ Scrip on hand, - - - 96 35
 “ Cash to balance, - - - 93

\$494 91

M. T. C. WING, Treasurer.

RULES OF ORDER.

I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.

II. When the President takes the Chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.

III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention, the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.

IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.

V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the Chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present,—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair, shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the Parishes entitled to representation: and the Lay-Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1. *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of Membership and Certificates of Lay-Delegates, and Incorporation of Churches, and their Admission into Union with the Convention. 2. *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examination has reported the names of the Lay-Delegates entitled to seats in Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees:—1. *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's Report, and Assessment of the Parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2. *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the Report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3. *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to whom New Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing canons shall be referred.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question

is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and when required, reduced to writing.

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit, or postpone it; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese, but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and Candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

FORM OF THE ORGANIZATION OF PARISHES IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors, do hereby associate ourselves together under the name, and style and title of the Parish of _____ Church, in the Township of _____, County of _____, and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded together with the Minutes of the Meeting, in a book, to be thereafter kept as a Parish Register: a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the Parish to the Bishop, which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of Association, the name of the Parish with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be

taken as soon as possible, to have the Parish Incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the Parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith, for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop, should be sent to the Convention, certified by the Clerk of the Parish.

FORM OF PAROCHIAL REPORT,

Issued by the Bishop according to request of the Convention.

Parish of _____ Church, _____, Rev. _____, Rec-
tor. Baptisms (adults) _____, (infants) _____, total _____. Confirmed
_____, Communicants added (by admission) _____, (by transfer) _____,
total added _____, lost by death _____, by removal _____, present
number _____. Marriages _____. Burials _____. Average num-
ber of children attending the Rector's Catechism-class _____, num-
ber of times catechised _____. Sunday School Teachers (male)
_____, (female) _____, total _____, Pupils (male) _____, female
_____, total _____.

The stated collections are—(*here mention at what periods made and for what fixed objects.*)

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz :

For Episcopate,	-	-	-	\$_____
“ Convention expenses,	-	-	-	_____
“ Missionary & Education Com. of the Diocese,				_____
“ Foreign & Domestic Missionary Society,				_____
“ Society for Widows and Children of deceased				
Clergymen,	-	-	-	_____
“ Other objects	-	-	-	_____
			Total,	_____

LICENSE OF A LAY READER.

Whereas it is provided, in the 9th Canon of the Diocese of Ohio, that “none shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay-Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop,” and further, that “Lay-Readers shall, in all cases, conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention,” wherein it is provided that the Reader shall submit to all the regulations which the Bishop may prescribe; shall not assume the dress appropriate to clergymen ministering in the congregation; shall officiate from the desk only; shall conform to the directions of the Bishop as to the sermons or homilies to be read; shall not deliver sermons of his own composition; nor, except in cases of extraordinary emergency, or very particular expe-

diency, perform any part of the service when a clergyman is present in the congregation: Therefore, we, the undersigned, Bishop of the Diocese of Ohio, do hereby license and appoint

who is a communicant in full standing of the parish of _____ in the _____ of _____ (and who has been duly recommended) to officiate as a Reader in the _____ of _____ in the reading of the morning and evening services of the Protestant Episcopal Church, as the same are appointed in the Book of Common Prayer, and also in the reading of Sermons or Lectures in the congregation, subject to the restrictions above written, and until such time as this license shall be either returned, or withdrawn.

And the said _____ is hereby directed, to confine his selection of discourses, or other like matter, to be read, exclusively to the following books, viz: The Homilies; the two vols. of Select Family and Parish Sermons, selected by the undersigned, and published by I. N. Whiting, Columbus; two vols. of Sermons by Rev. Charles Bradley, published by Appleton, New-York; two volumes of Sermons by Rev. Edward Cooper; two volumes of Discourses by Rev. S. H. Tyng, D. D., New York, and the several volumes of Lectures and Sermons by the Rev. Henry Blunt, published by Hooker, Philadelphia. In this selection no judgment is intended to be implied concerning books excluded; A departure therefrom will forfeit this license.

Given under our hand this _____ day of _____ in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and _____.

C A N O N S

OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

CANON I.

OF THE TRIAL OF A CLERGYMAN NOT BEING A BISHOP.

Sec. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII. of the General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars

of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

Sec. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese) as they shall think necessary.

Sec. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation, as they may be able to obtain.

Sec. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

Sec. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

Sec. 6. In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months, the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

Sec. 7. At their first meeting, the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary, who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they may determine, and before proceeding to trial, they shall adopt and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial; though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

Sec. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced, which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths, may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses; and the examination of witnesses and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

Sec. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth satisfactorily, that any material witnesses cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness; and the party applying as above, shall give to the other party at least *five days'* notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served, reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witnesses, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such Commissioner, may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

Sec. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board, as to what sentence should be pronounced—whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused, in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

Sec. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision made by the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in pass-

ing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

CANON II.

OF THE VESTRY OF A CHURCH.

Sec. 1. In every Church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens,—one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish—who, in the absence of the rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings—attest the public acts of the Vestry—preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish—perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

Sec. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has not signed the Article of Parochial association; and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a *bona fide* member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax, or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the Church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

Sec. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pew holder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a *bona fide* member thereof.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of Divine worship, and in general to act as helpers to the minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the Gospel; it being understood always that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the Alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship

and the instruction of the congregation by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading as circumstances may permit.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

CANON III.

OF THE ADMISSION OF A CHURCH OR CONGREGATION INTO UNION WITH THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THIS DIOCESE.

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such church or congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate—from a majority of the Standing Committee, that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

CANON IV.

OF ATTENDANCE ON CONVENTION, AND REQUISITES FOR THE ADMISSION OF LAY-DEPUTIES.

It shall be the duty of all clergamen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the Communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows, viz:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of
 Church held on the day of
 A. B., who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was
 appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of
 the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be hold-
 en on the day of in the year of our
 Lord Signed

Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their Articles of Incorporation or Association.

CANON V.

A LIST TO BE MADE OF THE MINISTERS IN THE DIOCESE.

Sec. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a List of the Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or Stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above—their places of Residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons—but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal, and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

Sec. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

CANON VI.

OF PARISH REGISTERS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Sec. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him: or in his parish by any other Episcopal minister: specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the Minister, in a book, kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

Sec. 2. In addition to the Register above named, the Minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the Communicants and of Families within his cure—specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

Sec. 3. Every Minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop—or if there be no Bishop—to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

CANON VII.

OF VACANT CONGREGATIONS.

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

CANON VII.

OF DEPUTIES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the 7th Article of the Constitution, four clergymen out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four Laymen who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as Deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention—which Deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the Deputies-elect, to signify to the Bishop on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not, to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint as many clerical or lay-deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of Deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the Deputies-elect above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

CANON IX.

OF LAY READERS.

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay-Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay-Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention.

CANON X.

OF PREPARING A REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in the 51st Canon of the General Convention, a Committee of the Convention of this Diocese, shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a Report of the State of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

CANON XI.

OF THE SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION.

Sec. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the 6th Article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the Minister, or in case there be no minister, to the Wardens of each Parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the Form of a Parochial Report—and a Form by which to certify the Appointment of Lay-Deputies, together with the Assessment laid upon the Parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese—as well as of any Charge or Pastoral Letter recently published—and to the General Convention, a Certificate of the Appointment of Clerical and Lay-Deputies.

CANON XII.

OF THE TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION.

Sec. 1. At every stated Convention, there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all monies collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a Committee of the same.

Sec. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

CANON XIII.

OF MISSIONS, AND OF EDUCATION FOR THE MINISTRY.

Sec. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the Missionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work—it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church, that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of every minister in this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction.—1 Cor. xvi. 1.

Sec. 3. There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a Committee consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese,

ex-officio, and eight other members—four clerical, four lay—elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of Beneficiaries, the appointment of Missionaries, and Missionary Stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

Sec. 4. It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the Missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

Sec. 5. The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee, when he is present—if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

Sec. 6. The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

Sec. 7. No Beneficiary or Missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the same, which consent shall be entered on the Minutes.

Sec. 8. At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated—which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

Sec. 9. The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer who shall be ex-officio members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention, may be supplied by the Committee. No monies shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

CANON XIV.

FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE EPISCOPATE.

Sec. 1. Every Minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant, whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 2. On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every house-holder or pew-holder, who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

Sec. 3. Out of the sum so received, the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum. The sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

CANON XV.

OF LAY DISCIPLINE.

Sec. 1. Any Communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the rector, may be suspended from the communion.

Sec. 2. A Communicant wishing to change his parochial connexion shall be required to present to the minister to whose parish he wishes to remove, a certificate of good standing, as a communicant, from the minister of the parish with which he was last connected, or, in case of there being no minister therein, from one of the Wardens.

But if the applicant be unprovided with such certificate, and assign a satisfactory reason therefor, the minister to whom he applies, may admit him as a communicant, provided, that upon examination of the case, there appear no impediment affecting his moral or religious character.

CANON XVI.

OF CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention, shall be applied to the following objects: 1. To defray the travelling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention and such other documents as may be ordered by Convention. 5. To defray the travelling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the travelling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

CANON XVII.

OF ALTERATIONS IN THE CANONS AND ADDITIONS THERETO.

No proposition to alter or add to, the Canons of the Diocese, shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

CANON XVIII.

REPEALING OF FORMER CANONS.

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

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**SOCIETY FOR THE RELIEF OF WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF  
DECEASED CLERGYMEN  
OF THE PROT. EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO..**

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The annual meeting of the Incorporated Society for the Relief of the Widows and children of Deceased Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the Diocese of Ohio, was held in the vestry-room of St. Peter's Church, Delaware, August 7th, 1846. The Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., in the chair. The Treasurer of the Society, Doct. M. W. Stamp, submitted the annexed report, which, on motion, was accepted. The Society then proceeded to make choice of officers for the year ensuing, when the following were elected :

Rt. Rev. CHARLES P. MCILVAINE, D. D., President, ex-officio.  
Rev. JOSEPH MUENSCHER, of Mt. Vernon, Secretary.  
M. W. STAMP, M. D., of Mt. Vernon, Treasurer.  
After which, the Society, on motion, adjourned, *sine die*.  
JOSEPH MUENSCHER, Secretary.

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## TREASURER'S REPORT.

*The Clergy Widow & Orphan Society in Acct. with M. W. Stamp,  
Treasurer.*

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| May      | " paid postages,                           | 30                     |
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|         | " Thos. B. Fairchild \$50 & \$3, E. H.  |           |           |
|         | Canfield \$50 & \$3, A. F. Dobb,        |           |           |
|         | \$50 & \$3, C. Colton \$50 & \$3,       | 212       | 00        |
|         | " Alanson Phelps \$50 & \$3, Levi L.    |           |           |
|         | Holden \$50 & \$3, R. S. Killin         |           |           |
|         | \$50 & \$3, James B. Britton \$50       |           |           |
|         | & \$3, - - - - -                        | 212       | 00        |
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|         | \$50 & \$3, Wm. A. Smallwood,           |           |           |
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|         | B. Sturges \$50 & \$3, Thos. M.         |           |           |
|         | Smith \$50 & \$3 18, M. T. C.           |           |           |
|         | Wing \$50 & \$3 18 - - -                | 212       | 54        |
|         | " Abraham Wheeler \$50, S. A. Bron-     |           |           |
|         | son \$50 & \$3 18, Geo. Denison         |           |           |
|         | \$50 & \$3 18, - - - - -                | 156       | 36        |
|         | " Richard Gray \$50, L. N. Freeman      |           |           |
|         | \$50, N. Badger \$50 & 3 18,            | 153       | 18        |
| Sep. 20 | " Cash, - - - - -                       | \$2       | 70        |
| Dec. 25 | Collection at St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,   |           |           |
|         | per Rev. Joseph Muenschler,             | 9         | 12½       |
| 30      | " at St. Paul's, Chillicothe, per       |           |           |
|         | Rev. James B. Britton,                  | 20        | 00        |
|         | " St. James', Cross Creek, per          |           |           |
|         | Rev. R. Gray, - - - - -                 | 8         | 00        |
|         | " St. Paul's, Cincinnati, per Rev.      |           |           |
|         | Geo. Gillespie, - - - - -               | 34        | 41        |
|         | Rev. Geo. B. Sturges, 12 mos. int.      |           |           |
|         | on interest note, - - - - -             | 18½       |           |
| Feb. 12 | Collection at Trinity Church, Colum-    |           |           |
|         | bus, per Rev. A. F. Dobb,               | 14        | 36        |
|         | " Christ Church, Springfield,           | 6         | 00        |
|         | " St. Paul's, Steubenville,             | 12        | 50        |
| Mar. 8  | " St. James', Painesville,              | 3         | 00        |
|         | " Harcourt, Gambier, - - - - -          | 4         | 64        |
|         | " St. John's, Cuyahaga Falls,           | 5         | 00        |
| 22      | Rev. Ab'm. Wheeler 12 mos. int'st.      |           |           |
|         | on interest note, - - - - -             | 3         | 18        |
| June 3  | " L. N. Freeman - - - - -               | 3         | 00        |
| July 10 | " R. Gray's order on Mr. Wing,          | 3         | 00        |
| 20      | Balance of interest, - - - - -          | 3         | 24        |
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| July 20 | By balance of old account,                                       | \$1317 08     | \$118 74½    |
| Aug. 8  | “ Sundry notes taken this date,                                  | 569 00        |              |
|         | “ Sundry paym'ts. on acct. of int.                               |               | 25 25        |
|         | “ Collection at Christ Church, Hud-<br>son, per. Rev. A. Phelps, |               | 3 00         |
|         | “ Collection at Convention at St. Pe-<br>ter's, Delaware, - - -  |               | 31 9½        |
| Nov. 14 | “ Charles C. Townsend's 12 months<br>interest on premium note,   |               | 3 00         |

From the above report of the Treasurer, which is brought down to the present time it appears, that although the Society has been in operation but a little over one year, its available funds, including premium notes, already amount to \$2061 70. The object of this Society is to afford substantial aid to the widows and children of deceased clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church, who may have been members thereof. For the accomplishment of this benevolent object, the Society looks to the clergy themselves, and to the parishes in which they labor. A fixed sum is required to be paid annually by every member, in addition to a premium note or obligation for \$50, to be paid at such times and in such sums as the Society may determine. The annual payment is made very small (\$3) in consideration of the limited pecuniary resources of our western clergy generally; and for the same reason the annuity assured to their families after their decease, is made as large as possible, consistently with the dictates of prudence. Whether this important feature of the Society shall remain as it is, will depend in a great measure on the amount of aid which may be received from year to year, by means of parochial contributions, donations and legacies. The Society has a claim therefore upon every member to see that the laity of the Church are made fully acquainted with the object which it aims to accomplish, and that collections are taken up in its behalf, in all our parishes. Should they be unfaithful to themselves in this particular, either the annual assessment will need to be increased, or else the annuities diminished in amount. Every clergyman of the Diocese, therefore, and especially every clerical member of the society, whether in or out of the Diocese, is earnestly requested to lay the subject before his people at as early a day during the current year, as is practicable, and to take up a collection in behalf of the Society. It appears from the Treasurer's report, that collections the last year were taken up in only *twelve* churches, including the one at Convention; the aggregate amount of which was \$151 94. Should a collection be taken up in only 36 parishes during the present year, (which is the present number of members of the Society) and the contributions be in the same proportion as those last year, the Society will receive the handsome sum from that source alone, of \$455 82. This added to the payments of members and interest on funds already in hand, will swell the capital of the Society to nearly \$3000.

For the information of all concerned, we would state, that the beneficial interest of members commences immediately after the expiration of one year from the date of the premium note, provided that two annual payments of interest on said note have at that time been paid. In no case will it commence at an earlier date, and not then unless the second payment has been made. This provision is necessary in order to insure punctuality on the part of members, and secure to all parties their rights. The first payment must, in all future cases, be made in cash. Contributions from parishes can be forwarded to the Treasurer, and will be acknowledged in the Western Episcopalian. All communications, other than those, which cover parochial contributions, must be addressed, *post paid*, to the Secretary.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER.

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### FUNDAMENTAL LAWS.

1. Any Clergyman of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States may become a member of this Corporation, and entitled to all its privileges by depositing with the Treasurer a premium note of \$50, and paying the legal interest thereon in advance.

2. A note may be given for the annual interest on the premium note, if preferred by the contributor, provided the condition of the funds will permit it, and he pay the interest thereon in advance.

3. The premium note shall be subject to requisitions from time to time, to supply any deficiencies which may arise in the available funds of the Society, for the payment of annuities.

4. Each contributor shall pay his annual contribution to the Corporation on or before the second day of the meeting of the annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the State of Ohio, under the penalty of 12½ per cent per annum on the amount due; and at the expiration of three years, should such delinquency continue, he shall forfeit his beneficial interest in the institution.

5. The beneficial interest of a contributor shall not commence until after he has made two annual payments.

6. If a contributor die before having made five annual payments, his widow and children shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of his premium note, (\$50.) If he should die after having made five annual payments and less than ten, they shall be entitled to an annuity equal to the amount of the premium note and one-half that amount, (\$75.) If he have made ten annual payments or upwards, they shall receive an annuity equal to twice the amount of the premium note.

7. At the death of a contributor, his premium note shall be cancelled, but the amount for which he may be indebted to the Corporation on other grounds shall be assigned to the annuitants in part payment of the first annuity.

8. No annuity shall be considered as having become due to the family of any contributor till one year from the time of his death.

9. Annuities shall be paid widows during life, unless they marry

again: in which case their annuities shall cease and fall to their children entirely: and children, if males, shall enjoy annuities until they be twenty-one years old; if females, until they be twenty-five years old, unless they previously marry, upon which their annuities shall cease.

10. If there be a child and no widow, such child shall be entitled to the whole annuity, during the time that he or she continues to be an annuitant; but if there be more than one child and no widow, the annuity shall be equally divided among them till they severally marry or exceed the age of annuitants, which annuity shall be laid out in their education or apprenticeship, with the advice of such guardians or executors as the father may have nominated, and if none such shall have been nominated by the father, then in such manner for the benefit of the child or children as the Corporation shall direct.

11. If there be a widow and one child, the annuity shall be equally divided between them: but if the widow marry or die before the child shall have attained, if a male, 21 years; or if a female, 25, the whole of the annuity shall belong to such child during the period to which he or she may be entitled thereto. And if the child die before the mother; or when the child may come to the age herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity shall go to the mother, she having remained a widow, and shall be enjoyed by her, during the period of her natural life, if she remain a widow: but if she should marry again, nothing shall be paid her after the period of her marriage. If there be a widow and two or more children, the widow shall have one-third, during her widowhood or natural life, and the remainder shall be equally divided among the children: and if a child should die, or when such child may arrive at the age of 21 years, if a male, or 25 if a female, his or her share shall be enjoyed by the remaining children, till the male or males arrive at the age of 21, and the female or females at the age of 25; provided always, that when death shall have reduced the number of children to one, or the arrival of the children at the age herein prescribed, shall have reduced the children entitled to annuities to the number of one, the annuity shall be equally divided between such child and the widow, during the period of her natural life, or of her remaining a widow; and that if death should remove all the children, or when they may have arrived at the ages herein prescribed, the whole of the annuity go to the widow, if she be still alive, and remain a widow; and be enjoyed by her during the period of her natural life, or the term of her widowhood. But it shall be always lawful for a member of the Corporation to make such disposition by his will, of the rights to which his subscription may have entitled his family, as he may see fit.

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## R U L E S

FOR THE TRANSACTION OF THE BUSINESS OF THE CORPORATION.

1. The annual meeting of the Corporation shall be holden dur-

ing the session of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, at which time shall be chosen a President, Treasurer, and Secretary, who shall remain in office until their successors are appointed. The Bishop of the Diocese, if he be a member, shall be President ex officio.

2. On urgent occasions the President shall notify the Secretary to call special meetings of the Corporation.

3. The Treasurer shall manage the funds, pay the annuities, &c. He shall give bonds in such sum as the Corporation from time to time shall judge necessary for the security of the funds; and report at the annual meeting.

4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Corporation, attend to the management of all its business operations, and make a full report of its condition at each annual meeting. He shall receive such compensation for his services as the Corporation may from time to time direct.

5. During each annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in Ohio, a collection shall be taken up in aid of the funds of the Corporation.

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#### MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY.

Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., Revs. James B. Britton, Erastus Burr, S. A. Bronson, Norman Badger, J. T. Brooke, D. D., Alfred Blake, John L. Bryan, E. H. Canfield, Chauncy Colton, D. D., Robert G. Cox, Alex'r. F. Dobb, Geo. Denison, G. S. Davis, T. B. Fairchild, L. N. Freeman, Wm. C. French, Richard Gray, Alvah Guion, Levi L. Holden, H. Hollis, R. S. Killin, Edward Lounsbury, Joseph Muenscher, A. T. McMurphy, Alanson Phelps, Henry Payne, Henry L. Richards, Wm. A. Smallwood, Charles B. Stout, Geo. B. Sturges, Thomas M. Smith, Edward Winthrop, Abraham Wheeler, M, T. C. Wing, Charles C. Townsend.

**LIST OF PARISHES**

CANONICALLY IN UNION WITH THE CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

|                                     |                                      |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Christ Church, Cincinnati,          | Christ Church, Franklin,             |
| St. Paul's, "                       | Christ Church, Liverpool,            |
| Christ Church, Dayton, '            | Grace Church, Sandusky City,         |
| St. James', Boardman,               | Trinity, Lyme,                       |
| St. John's, Worthington,            | St. Paul's. Akron,                   |
| Grace Church, Berkshire,            | Bethel, Boston,                      |
| Trinity, Cleveland,                 | St. Philip's, Strongsville,          |
| Trinity, Newark,                    | St. Luke's, Columbia,                |
| St. Luke's, Granville,              | St. John's, Lancaster,               |
| Harcourt Parish, Gambier,           | St. John's, Ohio City,               |
| St. James', Piqua,                  | St. Andrew's, Elyria,                |
| Trinity, Troy,                      | St. Paul's, Greenville,              |
| St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon,             | St. Paul's, Maumee City,             |
| St. Peter's, Delaware,              | Trinity, Jefferson,                  |
| St. Paul's, Steubenville,           | St. John's, Dover,                   |
| St. James', Cross Creek,            | St. John's, Wakeman,                 |
| St. John's, Springfield, Jeff. Co., | St. Stephen's, East Liverpool,       |
| St. Paul's, Chillicothe,            | Christ Church, Huron,                |
| Trinity, Columbus,                  | Trinity, Toledo,                     |
| St. Philip's, Circleville,          | St. Barnabas', Hagarstown,           |
| St. Paul's, Medina,                 | St. Alban's, Deersville,             |
| St. Stephen's, Grafton,             | St. Matthew's, Madison,              |
| Christ Church, Windsor,             | Zion Church, Dresden.                |
| St. Peter's, Ashtabula,             | St. Mark's, Sidney,                  |
| St. James', Zanesville,             | St. James', Wooster,                 |
| St. Luke's, Marietta.               | Grace Church, Cincinnati,            |
| St. Matthew's, Perry.               | St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky,          |
| St. Paul's, Radnor,                 | Christ Church, Warren,               |
| St. James', Batavia,                | St. Mark's, Newton Falls,            |
| St. Paul's, Norwalk,                | Christ Church, Hudson,               |
| St. Michael's, Unionville,          | St. Paul's, Hartsgrove,              |
| All Saints', Portsmouth,            | St. Paul's, Columbus,                |
| St. Mark's, Mill Creek,             | Calvary Church, Pittsfield,          |
| St. Timothy's, Massillon,           | Christ Church, Tiffin,               |
| St. Matthew's, Plymouth,            | Trinity, Cincinnati,                 |
| St. Matthew's, Hamilton,            | Christ Church, Penfield,             |
| Christ Ch., Springfield, Clarke Co. | St. Paul's, Euclid,                  |
| St. James', Painesville,            | Grace Church, Cleveland,             |
| St. John's, Cayahoga Falls,         | St. James', Kingston, Ross Co.,      |
| St. Thomas', St. Clairsville,       | St. David's, Centerville, Gallia Co. |
| St. Peter's, Rome,                  |                                      |

Total 81.

ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS—1846.

Parishes visited, 48. Parishes in which there have been persons presented for Confirmation, 28. Persons Confirmed, 175. Ordained, (Deacons 2, Priests 0,)—Total 2. Churches Consecrated, 4. Candidates for Orders, 18. Clergy,—received from other Dioceses, 3; removed to other Dioceses, 5; displaced from the ministry, 1.

SUMMARY OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS—1846.

Baptisms, in 57 parishes,—Infants 362. Adults 44, not specified 21,—Total 427. Communicants in 53 parishes,—Added 341, Died, Removed, Suspended, &c. 273,—Present number 3159. Marriages 128. Burials 175. Sunday Schools in 23 Parishes,—Teachers, 271, Scholars, 1897.

CHURCH IN OHIO.

TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

|                                             |                    |
|---------------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., President. |                    |
| Rev. William A. Smallwood,                  | S. W. Pomeroy.     |
| “ Erastus Burr.                             | Edward H. Cumming, |
| “ George Denison,                           | Hoel Lawrence,     |
| “ J. T. Brooke, D. D.,                      | Columbus Delano,   |
| “ Alex. F. Dobb,                            | T. W. Rogers,      |
| “ James B. Britton,                         | Henry DuBois,      |

TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPATE FUND.

|                   |                |
|-------------------|----------------|
| William Key Bond, | David K. Este. |
| Salmon P. Chasc.  |                |

EDUCATION & MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

|                                            |               |
|--------------------------------------------|---------------|
| Rt. Rev. C. P. McIlvaine, D. D., Chairman, |               |
| Rev. M. T. C. Wing,                        | E. Alling,    |
| “ S. A. Bronson,                           | M. W. Stamp,  |
| “ N. Badger,                               | H. L. Thrall, |
| “ T. M. Smith,                             | M. White.     |



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|                                     |                  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|
| Rev. Joseph Muenschcr. (President.) | Columbus Delano, |
| " M. T. C. Wing,                    | M. W. Stamp,     |
| " Sherlock A. Bronson. (Sec'y.)     | H. L. Thrall.    |

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**SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.**

|                    |                |
|--------------------|----------------|
| Rev. A. Guion,     | R. Wharton,    |
| " Alex. F. Dobb,   | I. N. Whiting, |
| " G. D. Gillespie, | C. Howard.     |

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| " W. A. Smallwood,        | J. L. Reynolds,  |
| " John Swan,              | H. A. DuBois.    |

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**DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.**

|                           |                |
|---------------------------|----------------|
| Rev. J. T. Brooke, D. D., | W. K. Bond,    |
| " Erastus Burr,           | Walter Thrall, |
| " Wm. A. Smallwood,       | H. L. Noble,   |
| " James B. Britton,       | O. T. Reeves.  |

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**TREASURER OF CONVENTION.**—Henry B. Curtis, Esq., Mt. Vernon.

**SECRETARY OF CONVENTION.**—Rev. Joseph Muenschcr, Mt. Vernon.

**E R R A T A .**

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**N O T I C E .**

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in St. James' Church, Zanesville on the second Thursday after the first Wednesday, in September, 1847.

JOSEPH MUENSCHER,

*Secretary.*

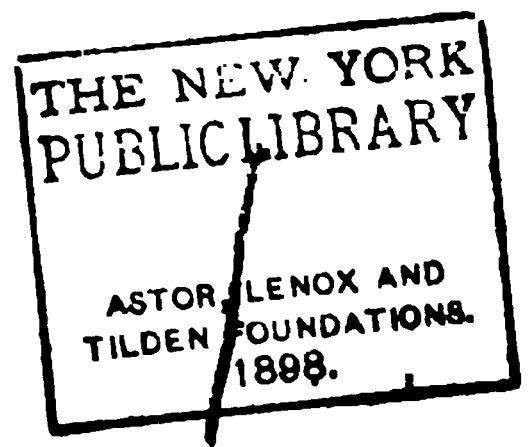
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SANISVILLE, SEPTEMBER, 1947.



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ST. PAUL'S, Cincinnati,  
CHRIST, Dayton,  
ST. JAMES', Boardman,  
ST. JOHN'S, Worthington,  
GRACE, Berkshire,  
TRINITY, Cleveland,  
TRINITY, Newark,  
ST. LUKE'S, Granville,  
HARCOURT PARISH, Gambier,  
ST. JAMES', Piqua,  
TRINITY, Troy,  
ST. PAUL'S, Mt. Vernon,  
ST. PETER'S, Delaware,  
ST. PAUL'S, Steubenville,  
ST. JAMES', Cross Creek,  
ST. JOHN'S, Springfield, Jeff. Co.,  
ST. PAUL'S, Chillicothe,  
TRINITY, Columbus,  
ST. PHILIP'S, Circleville,  
ST. PAUL'S, Medina,  
ST. STEPHEN'S, Grafton,  
ST. PETER'S, Ashtabula,  
ST. JAMES', Zanesville,  
ST. LUKE'S, Marietta,  
ST. MATTHEW'S, Perry,  
ST. PAUL'S, Norwalk,  
ST. MICHAEL'S, Unionville,  
ALL SAINTS', Portsmouth,  
ST. MARK'S, Mill Creek,  
ST. TIMOTHY'S, Massillon,  
ST. MATTHEW'S, Plymouth,  
ST. MATTHEW'S, Hamilton,  
CHRIST, Springfield, Clarke Co.,  
ST. JAMES', Painesville,  
ST. JOHN'S, Cuyahoga Falls,  
ST. THOMAS', St. Clairsville,  
ST. PETER'S, Rome,  
CHRIST, Franklin,

CHRIST, Liverpool,  
GRACE, Sandusky City,  
TRINITY, Lyme,  
ST. PAUL'S, Akron,  
BETHEL, Boston,  
ST. PHILIP'S, Strongsville,  
ST. LUKE'S, Columbia,  
ST. JOHN'S, Lancaster,  
ST. JOHN'S, Ohio City,  
ST. ANDREW'S, Elyria,  
ST. PAUL'S, Greenville,  
ST. PAUL'S, Maumee City,  
TRINITY, Jefferson,  
ST. JOHN'S, Dover,  
ST. JOHN'S, Wakeman,  
ST. STEPHEN'S, East Liverpool,  
CHRIST, Huron,  
TRINITY, Toledo,  
ST. ALBANS', Deersville,  
ST. MATTHEW'S, Madison,  
ZION, Dresden,  
ST. JAMES', Wooster,  
GRACE, Cincinnati,  
ST. PAUL'S, Lower Sandusky,  
CHRIST, Warren,  
ST. MARK'S, Newton Falls,  
CHRIST, Hudson,  
ST. PAUL'S, Hartsgrrove,  
ST. PAUL'S, Columbus,  
TRINITY, Cincinnati,  
CHRIST, Penfield,  
ST. PAUL'S, Euclid,  
GRACE, Cleveland,  
ST. JAMES', Kingston, Ross Co.,  
ST. DAVID'S, Centerville, Gallia Co.,  
ST. LUKE'S, Milan,  
ST. PAUL'S, Cleveland,  
ST. STEPHEN'S, Canfield,  
GRACE, Mansfield.

# LIST OF THE CLERGY

CANONICALLY RESIDENT IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.

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[An asterisk \* is prefixed to the names of those not entitled to a seat in the Convention.  
Those marked thus † were not present at the Convention.]

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The Right Rev. CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE, D. D., *Bishop of the Diocese, residing at Cincinnati.*

\*†The Rev. CHARLES AREY, *Deacon.*

The Rev. WILLIAM W. ARNETT, *Rector of Christ Church, Dayton.*

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The Rev. NORMAN BADGER, *Principal of Milnor Hall, Gambier.*

The Rev. ALFRED BLAKE, *Assistant Minister of Christ Church, Cincinnati, and City Missionary.*

The Rev. JAMES B. BRITTON, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe.*

†The Rev. ABRAHAM BRONSON, *Rector of St. John's Ch., Wakeman.*

The Rev. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON, *President of Kenyon College, Gambier.*

The Rev. JOHN T. BROOKE, D. D., *Professor of Pastoral Divinity and Sacred Rhetoric in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.*

The Rev. JOHN L. BRYAN, *residing at Granville.*

The Rev. ERASTUS BURR, *Rector of All Saints' Church, Portsmouth.*

†The Rev. LEWIS BURTON, *Deacon, Minister of St. John's Church, Ohio City.*

The Rev. E. H. CANFIELD, *Rector of St. Peter's Church, Delaware.*

The Rev. ANSON CLARK, *Rector of St. Timothy's Church, Massillon.*

\*†The Rev. WILLIAM CLOTWORTHY, *Deacon.*

†The Rev. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D. D., *Principal of the Cincinnati Classical Academy.*

†The Rev. ROBERT G. COX, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Akron.*

The Rev. J. W. CRACRAFT, *Rector of Grace Church, Mansfield.*

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The Rev. GEORGE DENISON, *Rector of Trinity Church, Newark.*

The Rev. ALEXANDER F. DOBB, *Professor of the Greek and Latin Languages in Kenyon College, Gambier.*

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The Rev. ALVAH GUION, *Rector of St. John's Church, Lancaster, and Missionary.*

†The Rev. JOHN HALL, *Rector of St. Peter's Church, Ashtabula.*

\*†The Rev. ALBERT HELFENSTEIN, *residing at St. Mary's.*

†The Rev. HUMPHREY HOLLIS, *Rector of Trinity Church, Jefferson, and St. Michael's, Unionville.*

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\*†The Rev. EPHRAIM PUNDERSON.

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The Rev. CHARLES B. STOUT, *Rector of St. Philip's Church, Circleville.*

The Rev. GEORGE B. STURGES, *Rector of St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek.*

\*†The Rev. DAVID W. TOLFORD, *residing near Cincinnati.*

The Rev. J. RICE TAYLOR, *Rector of St. Luke's Church, Milan.*

The Rev. OLIVER TAYLOR, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Maumee City.*

The Rev. GEORGE THOMPSON, *Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster, and Missionary.*

The Rev. DUDLEY A. TYNG, *Deacon, Minister of Trinity Church, Columbus.*

†The Rev. ALEXANDER VARIAN, *Rector of Grace Church, Cleveland.*

\*The Rev. ABRAHAM WHEELER.

The Rev. LLOYD WINDSOR, *Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland.*

The Rev. M. T. C. WING, *Professor of Ecclesiastical History in the Theological Seminary at Gambier.*

The Rev. EDWARD WINTHROP, *Rector of St. Paul's Church, Norwalk.*

Total—64.

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The Rev. WM. SPARROW, D. D., the Rev. WM. ARMSTRONG, and the Rev. JAMES B. GOODWIN, from the Diocese of Virginia, were also present at the sittings of the Convention.

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The following Candidates for Holy Orders were also present in the Convention: Messrs. Eli Adams, R. K. Nash, H. N. Bishop, T. S. Goodwin, and R. S. Nash.



# LIST OF LAY DELEGATES

APPOINTED TO ATTEND THE CONVENTION.

[Those marked with an asterisk \* were not present in the Convention, although their credentials were received]

|                     |                      |                                                           |
|---------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|
| <i>Chillicothe,</i> | St. Paul's Church,   | J. MADEIRA,<br>E. P. KENDRICK,<br>J. S. SWEARINGEN.       |
| <i>Cincinnati,</i>  | St. Paul's Church,   | F. A. WORTHINGTON,<br>WM. WOOD.                           |
| "                   | Christ Church,       | B. STORER,<br>W. VAN HAMM,<br>D. K. ESTE.                 |
| "                   | Trinity Church,      | W. S. DRUMMOND.                                           |
| <i>Circleville,</i> | St. Philip's Church, | *WM. MCCOLLOCH,<br>B. F. BRANNAN.                         |
| <i>Cleveland,</i>   | Grace Church,        | GEO. E. FREEMAN,<br>A. P. DUDLEY,<br>*E. F. PUNDERSON.    |
| "                   | St. Paul's Church,   | JAMES KELLOGG,<br>HENRY L. NOBLE,<br>*ELISHA T. STERLING. |
| <i>Columbus,</i>    | Trinity Church,      | WALTER THRALL,<br>JOEL BUTTLES.                           |
| <i>Cross Creek,</i> | St. James' Church,   | *JOHN ELLIOTT,<br>CHA'S MOREHEAD.                         |
| <i>Dayton,</i>      | Christ Church,       | JOHN POWELL.                                              |
| <i>Delaware,</i>    | St. Peter's Church,  | GEO. F. STAYMAN.                                          |
| <i>Dover,</i>       | St. John's Church,   | CHA'S HALL.                                               |
| <i>Dresden,</i>     | Zion Church,         | *B. ADAMS,<br>A. CLEMENTS,<br>WILLIAM COX.                |
| <i>Euclid,</i>      | St. Paul's Church,   | J. DOAN.                                                  |
| <i>Gambier,</i>     | Harcourt Parish,     | E. H. CUMMING,<br>J. S. SAWER,<br>N. W. PUTNAM.           |
| <i>Granville,</i>   | St. Luke's Church,   | WM. S. RICHARDS,<br>SOLOMON N. SANFORD.                   |
| <i>Hudson,</i>      | Christ Church,       | C. J. BUCKINGHAM.                                         |
| <i>Kingston,</i>    | St. James' Church,   | ELIAS BENTON,<br>AMOS BENTON.                             |

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| <i>Madison,</i>      | St. Matthew's Church, | J. P. BLYTHE,<br>CHA'S LONG,<br>R. ARMSTRONG.       |
| <i>Marietta,</i>     | St. Luke's Church,    | A. L. GUITTEAU.                                     |
| <i>Massillon,</i>    | St. Timothy's Church, | GEORGE D. HINE.                                     |
| <i>Medina,</i>       | St. Paul's Church,    | *WILLIAM LEE,<br>RANSOM CLERK.                      |
| <i>Mill Creek,</i>   | St. Mark's Church,    | JOHN MITCHELL.                                      |
| <i>Mount Vernon,</i> | St. Paul's Church,    | E. ALLING,<br>C. P. BUCKINGHAM,<br>COLUMBUS DELANO. |
| <i>Newark,</i>       | Trinity Church,       | I. DILLE,<br>*H. N. STAFFORD,<br>*VIRGIL HILLYER.   |
| <i>Perry,</i>        | St. Matthew's Church, | WM. WOODWARD,<br>GEORGE McDANIEL,<br>JOHN TRIMBLE.  |
| <i>Piqua,</i>        | St. James' Church,    | M. G. MITCHELL,<br>R. McMURDY.                      |
| <i>Portsmouth,</i>   | All Saints' Church,   | E. HAMILTON.                                        |
| <i>Springfield,</i>  | Christ Church,        | J. A. BEAN,<br>WM. COLES.                           |
| <i>Steubenville,</i> | St. Paul's Church,    | *JOHN ANDREWS,<br>JOHN H. VIERS.                    |
| <i>Zanesville,</i>   | St. James' Church,    | JAMES CROSBY,<br>I. DILLON,<br>HOWARD COPELAND.     |



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ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, ZANESVILLE, }  
*Thursday, Sept. 9, 1847.* }

THIS being the day and place appointed by a provision of the Constitution for the annual meeting of the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, the Rt. Rev. Charles P. McIlvaine, D. D., Bishop of the Diocese, and several of the Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. James' Church, at 10 o'clock, A. M. The Rev. Prof. Smith, of the Theological Seminary at Gambier, read morning prayers, and the Rev. James B. Britton, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, read the lessons. The Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. William W. Arnett, Rector of Christ Church, Dayton, from Ezek. iii. 17.

After divine service, the Bishop of the Diocese took the Chair, and called the Convention to order. A list of the Clergy constitutionally entitled to seats in the Convention was then furnished by the Bishop, and the names being called by the Secretary of the last Convention, the following clergymen answered and took their seats:

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| Rev. W. W. Arnett,       | Rev. L. N. Freeman,  | Rev. G. B. Perry, D.D., |
| Rev. N. Badger,          | Rev. W. C. French,   | Rev. A. Phelps,         |
| Rev. A. Blake,           | Rev. W. Granville,   | Rev. H. L. Richards,    |
| Rev. J. B. Britton,      | Rev. R. Gray,        | Rev. W. A. Smallwood,   |
| Rev. S. A. Bronson,      | Rev. A. Guion,       | Rev. T. M. Smith,       |
| Rev. J. T. Brooke, D.D., | Rev. L. L. Holden,   | Rev. C. B. Stout,       |
| Rev. J. L. Bryan,        | Rev. R. S. Killin,   | Rev. G. B. Sturges,     |
| Rev. E. Burr,            | Rev. C. F. Lewis,    | Rev. J. R. Taylor,      |
| Rev. E. H. Canfield,     | Rev. A. T. McMurphy, | Rev. O. Taylor,         |
| Rev. J. W. Cracraft,     | Rev. W. Miller,      | Rev. G. Thompson,       |
| Rev. G. Denison,         | Rev. I. Morse,       | Rev. L. Windsor,        |
| Rev. A. F. Dobb,         | Rev. J. Muenscher,   | Rev. E. Winthrop.       |
| Rev. G. W. Dubois,       |                      |                         |

The list of parishes being called, the certificates of Lay Delegates were ordered to be laid on the table, and the Bishop appointed the Rev. Mr. Killin, the Rev. Mr. Phelps and Mr. E. Hamilton a Committee of Examination.

The Bishop also appointed the Rev. Mr. Stout and Mr. C. P. Buckingham a Committee on Unfinished Business.

The Convention then proceeded to make choice of a Secretary, and the ballot was, on motion, dispensed with.

The Rev. Joseph Muenscher having been nominated, was unanimously reëlected, *viva voce*.

The Secretary elect then offered some remarks, in which he thanked the Convention for the kindness which they had manifested in electing him to that office for a series of years, and begged leave respectfully to decline the present appointment.

The Convention then proceeded to make another choice, when, the Rev. William C. French, of Granville, having been nominated, was in the same manner unanimously elected.

On motion, the Convention then adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

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THURSDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention met pursuant to adjournment, and after singing and prayer proceeded to business.

The Rev. Mr. Killin, from the Committee of Examination, reported that the following Lay Delegates were duly elected, viz: from

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| St. Paul's Church, Medina -----        | { William Lee,<br>Ransom Clerk.                 |
| St. Paul's Church, Steubenville -----  | { John Andrews,<br>John H. Viers.               |
| St. Philip's Church, Circleville ----- | { Wm. McColloch,<br>B. F. Brannan.              |
| Christ Church, Dayton -----            | John Powell.                                    |
| St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon -----  | { E. Alling,<br>C. P. Buckingham.               |
| Christ Church, Hudson -----            | C. J. Buckingham.                               |
| Zion Church, Dresden -----             | { B. Adams,<br>A. Clements,<br>William Cox.     |
| St. Matthew's Church, Madison -----    | { J. P. Blythe,<br>Chas. Long,<br>R. Armstrong. |

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| St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati -----  | F. A. Worthington.                                    |
| Christ Church, Cincinnati -----      | { B. Storer,<br>W. Van Hamm,<br>D. K. Este.           |
| Trinity Church, Cincinnati -----     | W. S. Drummond.                                       |
| St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe ----- | { J. Madeira,<br>E. P. Kendrick,<br>J. S. Swearingen. |
| Harcourt Parish, Gambier -----       | { E. H. Cumming,<br>J. S. Sawyer,<br>N. W. Putnam.    |
| St. John's Church, Dover -----       | Chas. Hall.                                           |
| St. Peter's Church, Delaware -----   | Geo. F. Stayman.                                      |
| All Saints' Church, Portsmouth ----- | E. Hamilton.                                          |
| St. James' Church, Zanesville -----  | { James Crosby,<br>I. Dillon,<br>Howard Copeland.     |
| St. James' Church, Piqua -----       | { M. G. Mitchell,<br>R. McMurdy.                      |
| St. Paul's Church, Euclid -----      | J. Doan.                                              |
| Trinity Church, Columbus -----       | { Walter Thrall,<br>Joel Buttles.                     |
| St. James' Church, Kingston -----    | { Elias Benton,<br>Amos Benton.                       |
| St. James' Church, Cross Creek ----- | { John Elliott,<br>Chas. Morehead.                    |
| Christ Church, Springfield -----     | { J. A. Bean,<br>William Coles.                       |
| Trinity Church, Newark -----         | { I. Dille,<br>H. N. Stafford,<br>Virgil Hillyer.     |
| St. Matthew's Church, Perry -----    | { Wm. Woodward,<br>George McDaniel,<br>John Trimble.  |

The committee also made a verbal report that the certificates of the Lay Delegates from Grace Church, Cleveland, were deficient in not stating that the said delegates were communicants.

The Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland, and others, having certified to this fact, they were unanimously received, as follows :

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| Grace Church, Cleveland ----- | { George E. Freeman,<br>A. P. Dudley,<br>E. F. Punderson. |
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The same committee afterwards reported the following:

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| St. Paul's Church, Cleveland-----    | { James Kellogg,<br>Henry L. Noble,<br>Elisha T. Sterling. |
| St. Luke's Church, Granville-----    | { Wm. S. Richards,<br>Solomon N. Sanford.                  |
| St. Mark's Church, Mill Creek-----   | John Mitchell.                                             |
| St. Timothy's Church, Massillon----- | George D. Hine.                                            |

The names of the Lay Delegates being called, the following gentlemen answered and took their seats:

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| R. Clerk,          | C. Hall,        | B. Storer,      |
| J. H. Viers,       | G. F. Stayman,  | W. Van Hamm,    |
| B. F. Brannan,     | E. Hamilton,    | D. K. Este,     |
| J. Powell,         | J. Crosby,      | I. Dille,       |
| E. Alling,         | I. Dillon,      | W. S. Drummond, |
| C. P. Buckingham,  | H. Copeland,    | W. Woodward,    |
| C. J. Buckingham,  | M. G. Mitchell, | G. McDaniel,    |
| J. P. Blythe,      | R. McMurdy,     | J. Trimble,     |
| C. Long,           | J. Doan,        | G. E. Freeman,  |
| R. Armstrong,      | W. Thrall,      | A. P. Dudley,   |
| F. A. Worthington, | J. Buttles,     | J. Kellogg,     |
| J. Madeira,        | E. Benton,      | H. L. Noble,    |
| J. S. Swearingen,  | A. Benton,      | W. S. Richards, |
| E. H. Cumming,     | C. Morehead,    | S. N. Sanford,  |
| J. S. Sawyer,      | J. A. Bean,     | J. Mitchell,    |
| N. W. Putnam,      | W. Coles,       | G. D. Hine.     |

The Committee on Credentials also reported that the following new parishes have complied with the provision of the canon on the admission of new parishes, and recommend their admission into this diocese: St. Paul's Church, Cleveland; St. Stephen's Church, Canfield; Grace Church, Mansfield.

And, on motion, the above named parishes were received into union with the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Stout, from the Committee on Unfinished Business, made the following report:

The Committee on Unfinished Business report: That on referring to page 18 of the last Journal, they find that the Rev. Mr. Muenschler offered the following as a substitute for the third article of the Constitution; which, on motion, was ordered to lie over until this Convention:

**PROPOSED SUBSTITUTE FOR ARTICLE III. OF THE CONSTITUTION.**

"The Convention shall be composed of clergymen and laymen. The Bishop, and Assistant Bishop, when there is one, and every

other minister of the church, canonically in charge of a congregation, in union with this Convention, or employed as a missionary, or agent, under the ecclesiastical authority of the diocese, or of the General Board of Missions, or regularly employed as president, professor, or instructor in some college or seminary of learning, and performing clerical functions; or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry, shall be a member of this Convention; provided that he has been at least six months canonically resident in the diocese.

“Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Convention, shall be entitled to send to the Convention one or more lay delegates, communicants of the same, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. The delegates from each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be admitted to a seat in the Convention.”

CHA'S B. STOUT,  
C. P. BUCKINGHAM.

Which was received and laid on the table.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Britton,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be presented to the Rev. Mr. Muenscher, for his long continued and faithful services as Secretary thereof.

The Bishop announced the appointment of the following committees:

*On Canons.* — Rev. Dr. Brooke, Rev. Prof. Smith, Mr. J. S. Swearingen, and Mr. M. G. Mitchell.

*On Finance.* — Rev. Mr. Muenscher, Mr. E. H. Cumming, and Mr. W. Thrall.

*On Missions.* — Rev. Mr. Richards, Rev. Mr. Dobb, and Mr. W. S. Drummond.

The Bishop then delivered his annual

### ADDRESS:

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY

OF THE DIOCESE OF OHIO:

We meet together, under the kind providence of our Heavenly Father, to consult one with another for the prosperity of the Church of our blessed Lord and Saviour. May the presence of our great Head be with us, and grace, mercy and peace from God our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ, abide upon us, that our coming together may be truly to the advancement of His glory, and the increase of His grace in each of our hearts.



The first thing that occurs to my thoughts in contemplating your meeting is, that two of the clergy, who last year belonged to your number, are not now in this world. They cannot meet with us, because they have gone to meet their God. They are not here to report the state of their parishes, because they have gone to give account of their stewardship to Him who gave them their work to do, and has brought it to a sudden end. The Rev. JAMES SUNDERLAND, Rector of the parishes of Unionville and Plymouth, was called away by a sudden illness, just about the time of our last Convention; and the Rev. DANIEL J. BURGER, Rector of St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, died recently and suddenly at Toledo. They have a little preceded us. The train is hastening on—we are moving in it. The procession has one end—always at the grave. We shall soon be there. The time is short. It behoves us solemnly to realize how much work, how much responsibility is committed to us, and how unlooked for may come to each of us the call, “give an account of thy stewardship, for thou mayest be no longer steward.” Hoping that our brethren, who have recently received that summons, are now at rest with Christ, let it be the consuming desire of our hearts, and our continual effort, so to work, and watch, and pray, and live by faith, that our stewardship may be ready to be handed in at any hour, and our souls ready to depart at any moment, in the assured hope of believers, trusting simply in the righteousness of Christ for acceptance with God, and having “the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts,” that we shall not be cast out.

Since we last met together, I have effected the change of residence then contemplated. I removed my family from Gambier to the vicinity of Cincinnati, last October; and since then I have been enabled, without interruption, to carry out the intention with which I went, of preaching chiefly in the weaker parishes and stations of the Church in Cincinnati. While not absent, I have preached almost every Sunday twice, chiefly at Trinity Church, Grace Church, and the chapel sustained by St. Paul's Church, in the suburb called Texas. I have recently commenced a Sunday afternoon service, in the country, near my own place of residence; and this week, the erection of a neat church has been commenced, which, it is expected, will be completed before the winter. I have delayed the organization of a parish there until the whole effort shall have become more matured.

The following are the parishes which have been visited since our last Convention, viz: St. Paul's, Columbus; Christ Church, Hudson; St. Luke's, Granville; Trinity Church, Newark; St. James', Zanesville; St. John's, Lancaster; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. James', Kingston; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; All Saints', Portsmouth; Christ Church, Springfield; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; Christ Church, Cincinnati; Trinity Church, Cincinnati; Grace Church, Cincinnati; Christ Church, Dayton; Trinity Church, Troy; St. Paul's, Greenville; St. James', Piqua; St. John's, Worthington; St. Peter's, Delaware; Grace Church, Berkshire; Trinity Church, Columbus; St. Paul's, Columbus, a second time; All Saints', Portsmouth, a

second time; Grace Church, Mansfield; St. James', Wooster; St. Paul's, Medina; St. James', Penfield; St. Paul's, Grafton; Christ Church, Liverpool; St. Luke's, Columbia; St. Philip's, Strongsville; Trinity Church, Cleveland; Grace Church, Cleveland; St. Paul's, Cleveland; St. John's, Ohio City; St. John's, Dover; St. Andrew's, Elyria; St. John's, Wakeman; St. Luke's, Milan; Christ Church, Huron; St. Paul's, Norwalk; Trinity Church, Lyme; St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky; Grace Church, Sandusky City; Trinity Church, Toledo; St. Paul's, Maumee City; Harcourt Parish, Gambier, and St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon.

The confirmations have been as follows, viz: Columbus, St. Paul's, at two confirmations, 25 persons; Trinity Church, 17; Hudson, 2; Granville, 2; Newark, 2; Zanesville, 2; Lancaster, 1; Circleville, 5; Kingston, 3; Chillicothe, 18; Portsmouth, at two confirmations, 24; Springfield, 1; Cincinnati, St. Paul's, 8; Trinity Church, 6; Christ Church, 8; Grace Church, 8; Dayton, at two confirmations, 26; Troy, 2; Greenville, 1; Delaware, 7; Berkshire, 1; Chapel in the Texas suburb of Cincinnati, 2; Mansfield, 3; Medina, 4; Liverpool, 2; Cleveland, Trinity Church, 37; Grace Church, 9; St. Paul's, 8; Ohio City, 9; Dover, 2; Milan, 5; Norwalk, 1; Lower Sandusky, 1; Sandusky City, 8; Toledo, 6; Maumee, 1; Gambier, 2; Mt. Vernon, 12. Whole number confirmed, 281.

Since my last address to the Convention, the following candidates for orders have been admitted to the Order of Deacons, viz: George W. Dubois, William Miller, Charles Arey, Oliver Taylor, Chas. F. Lewis, J. W. Cracraft, William Clotworthy, Thomas B. Dooley, and Lewis Burton; of whom one, viz: Thomas B. Dooley, was ordained under the provisions of the new canon in relation to Deacons.

The following have been admitted to the Order of Presbyters, viz: Rev. E. H. Canfield, Rev. J. Rice Taylor, Rev. Wm. C. French, and Rev. G. B. Perry.

The number of candidates for orders at present is seven, viz: R. K. Nash, A. D. Benedict, R. S. Nash, T. S. Goodwin, H. N. Bishop, Eli Adams, and Chandler Robins.

It is expected that the number of candidates will be nearly or quite doubled in the course of a month or two.

Three new churches have been consecrated during the past year, viz: St. Paul's, Columbus; Christ Church, Hudson, and St. Paul's, Maumee City. Five others are expected to be ready for consecration this fall.

There have been received into this Diocese, by letters dimissory from other Dioceses, the Rev. Lloyd Windsor, from Western New York, who has become Rector of Trinity Church, Cleveland; the Rev. Edward Lounsbery, from Kentucky, who officiated for a few months as Missionary in the suburbs of Cincinnati; the Rev. Dudley A. Tyng, from New York, who has taken charge of Trinity Church, Columbus, and the Rev. C. W. Fitch, from Michigan, who has become Rector of St. James', Piqua.

There have left this Diocese, by letters dimissory, the Rev. Richard Bury, for the Diocese of Michigan; the Rev. Wm. Fagg, for that

of Tennessee ; the Rev. Robert S. Elder, for that of Michigan, and the Rev. Wm. M. Burton for the same.

The following changes have taken place within the Diocese : The Rev. Charles Arey, Deacon, who took charge of Trinity Church, Toledo, soon after the last Convention, has recently resigned the same. The Rev. Abraham Bronson has taken charge of St. John's, Wakeman, and temporarily of Trinity Church, Lyme. The Rev. J. T. Brooke, D. D., has resigned the Rectorship of Christ Church, Cincinnati, and has become Professor of Pastoral Divinity and Sacred Rhetoric, in the Theological Seminary of the Diocese. The Rev. John L. Bryan has been obliged by ill health and the infirmities of age, to cease from the regular exercise of the ministry, and has removed from Windsor to Granville. The Rev. Lewis Burton, recently ordained Deacon, has taken charge of St. John's, Ohio City, vacant by the resignation of his brother, the Rev. William M. Burton. The Rev. William Clotworthy has resigned the charge of a new parish at Pomeroy, not yet in union with this Convention, and the name of which I do not know. The Rev. J. W. Cracraft has taken charge of the new parish of Grace Church, Mansfield. The Rev. Alexander F. Dobb has become Professor of the Latin and Greek languages in Kenyon College. The Rev. George W. Dubois has taken charge of Trinity Church, Cincinnati. The Rev. Alvah Guion has taken charge of St. John's, Lancaster. The Rev. Levi L. Holden has resigned St. Luke's, Grafton, and Christ Church, Penfield, and taken charge of St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls, vacant by the death of the Rev. Mr. Burger. The Rev. Charles F. Lewis has taken charge of St. James', Boardman, and St. Stephen's, Canfield. The Rev. Albert T. McMurphey has resigned St. John's, Springfield, and taken charge of St. Matthew's, Madison, and Zion Church, Dresden. The Rev. Joseph Mayo has resigned the charge of Christ Church, Liverpool. The Rev. William Miller has taken charge of Trinity Church, Troy, and St. Paul's, Greenville. The Rev. G. B. Perry, D. D., has taken charge of St. Paul's, Cleveland. The Rev. Ephraim Punderson has resigned the charge of Trinity Church, Lyme. The Rev. George B. Sturges has resigned St. Matthew's, Madison, and Zion Church, Dresden, and remains in charge of St. Mark's, Mill Creek. The Rev. Oliver Taylor, who took charge of St. Paul's, Lower Sandusky, soon after the last Convention, has resigned that parish and become Minister of St. Paul's, Maumee City. The Rev. George Thompson has taken charge of St. James', Wooster. The Rev. Abraham Wheeler has resigned the charge of St. John's, Springfield. The Rev. Edward Winthrop has resigned the charge of St. Luke's, Marietta, and taken that of St. Paul's, Norwalk.

The following new parishes have been organized and duly reported to me according to the Canon, viz : St. Paul's, Cleveland ; Grace Church, Mansfield, and St. Stephen's, Canfield.

I attended, in the beginning of August, the annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese, and the commencement of Kenyon College, and am happy to say that those institutions are not only increasing in merit, but are also grow-

ing in public estimation. The preparatory school, called Milnor Hall, has more than doubled the number of its pupils. The students in the Theological Seminary will be probably more than doubled in number the next term. The College is decidedly strengthening its character as an institution of sound classical and scientific education; and by the report of the Treasurer of the Board of Trustees, it appeared that the expenditures during the last year, of all kinds, have been fully met by the current income.

A difference of opinion has arisen with reference to the construction of Canon XV. of this Diocese, on the subject of Lay Discipline, which I will briefly lay before you, in order that you may consider whether the Canon needs any amendment to make its meaning plainer.

The difference alluded to was in the case of a communicant who, having, in company with a number of others, left the parish with which he had been connected, and joined another recently organized, in the same town; requested of the Rector of the former, according to the second section of the Canon referred to, a certificate that he was in good standing as a communicant, when he changed his parochial connection. The Rector refused to give the certificate, on the ground that the applicant had assigned to him as a reason for wishing to leave the parish, that "the teaching from the pulpit therein had been erroneous,—the whole truth had not been preached." This reason was considered by the Rector as including his "predecessor, under whose incumbency the applicant had become dissatisfied," and "*perhaps himself*;"—and this, together with the fact that his predecessor had received from me a letter dimissory to another diocese, in which letter it was certified that he had not, so far as I knew and believed, been justly liable to evil report for error in religion, for three years last past, was the ground of the refusal to give the certificate of good standing applied for.

On my receiving from the layman who made the application, a formal complaint against the Rector, for oppressive administration of discipline, a correspondence ensued between the latter and myself. In that correspondence, the Rector stated that he did not refuse the certificate "by reason of any thing affecting the moral and religious character" of the applicant; that his refusal was "not an act of discipline," nor was "designed to affect the good standing" of the applicant as a communicant. That he did not understand the Canon as *requiring* a minister to furnish a certificate to every communicant in good standing, who, under its provisions, should apply for one; but that on the contrary, he understood the third section of the Canon as designed to provide for the case of a minister refusing to give a certificate to a communicant *in good standing*; and consequently allowing such refusal. That section provides that "if the applicant" for admission to the communion in another parish "be unprovided with such certificate, and assign a satisfactory reason therefor, the minister to whom he applies may admit him as a communicant, provided, that upon examination of the case, there appears no impediment affecting his moral or religious character."

From this section it was argued, that as the being without a certificate does not necessarily prevent the reception of an applicant to the communion of the parish which he wishes to be united with, (provision being made for his reception by the minister, under certain circumstances;) therefore, a certificate may be canonically refused, at the discretion of a minister, for reasons *having no connection with the good standing of a communicant*.

I have no idea that such a construction is at all justified by the words of the Canon, or was designed to be conveyed. But as I consider nothing to be unimportant which in any degree affects the privileges or standing of communicants, and as one Rector has so interpreted the Canon as to place the privileges of a communicant in such jeopardy as nothing but his well known standing, without a certificate, relieved him from; and as the Rector alluded to informed me that his construction of the Canon was "held by others of the clergy with whom he had conversed," I have thought it expedient to call your attention thereto, that if the design and meaning of the Canon be not already sufficiently plain, they may be made so.

I wish here to say a few words concerning my official relation to the institution known by the name of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union. You are aware that, by the Constitution of that institution, our Bishops are *ex officio* Vice Presidents, Managers, and have a seat in the Executive Committee. All the publications of the Society are hence regarded as having indirectly, at least, their sanction. There is also a wide-spread impression, derived from the name of the institution, that like the General Theological Seminary, and the Foreign and Domestic Missionary Society, it is properly a *Church* institution — one which the General Convention established — or over which the legislation of the Church, through its Conventions, has a power of control, and to which the Bishops have been attached, in their present relation, by an authority very different from that of a mere voluntary association. Hence the impression is a very natural one, and very common, that the teaching of the Church is found in the books of the Sunday School Union.

I trust this Convention does not need to be informed that what is called the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union is not, in any such sense, a *Church* institution — that it has never come under the control of any representative body of the Church — that its proceedings are wholly independent of any jurisdiction but its own. The Bishops were brought into their present relation to it by precisely the same right that any association of persons, for any object, would have to make them partakers of its responsibility, by making them *ex-officio*, its directors. It is *the* General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, only because it has assumed that name, and has become known under that name, and no other institution has chosen to take it. But, in point of right, any other association of Episcopalians, for similar objects, would be equally entitled to call itself the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union.

But of this Society I am a Manager. I came into such connection therewith, simply because those private individuals who framed the

constitution chose to say, in that instrument, that so it should be. But, as is the case with almost if not all the other Bishops, I have indirectly consented to the provision by acting in the place assigned me. Some four times, while I have been in the Episcopate, I have attended business meetings of the society; and thus I must be considered as coming in for a share of the responsibility of its publications. And this is my trouble. I have seen in the later issues of its press much that I regard as erroneous and injurious doctrine, besides much that is in my view objectionable in other respects, while I have seen little, compared with the amount of publication, that I could cordially approve of as worthy of the press of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union. The two excellent letters addressed by Bishop Meade to the Board of Managers, express my mind on that head.

Under these circumstances, I have long considered what I ought to do. It is a matter of no little personal importance that, until I publicly disclaim all responsibility for the future publications of the Society, and refuse hereafter to take part in its proceedings, I must be considered as lending my name and influence to the promotion of their circulation, and as bearing a part in the responsibility for whatever they may be. What then shall I do?

If this Society were properly a church institution, like the General Missionary Society, the case would be different. I might feel it my duty to hold my place and act in it, under any circumstances, and to make much sacrifice of time and convenience that I might act efficiently. And the case would be different could I suppose that, by continuing in my present relation to this Society, I should be able to exert any effective influence in obtaining a satisfactory purgation of its past publications, and in securing the proper character of the future. But this is not to be anticipated, considering my distance from the place of its business, not to speak of other impediments which need not be particularized. The disrespectful manner in which Bishop Meade's late courteous and dispassionate attempt to point out certain errors which in his judgment the later publications of the Society contain, has been treated, and that too by one who is very nearly and constantly connected with its operations, affords a pretty plain indication that however convenient the names of Bishops may be in giving countenance and currency to its books, their close supervision of the doctrines taught therein may easily become disagreeable, and may easily be treated as intrusive and assuming.

Taking all things into consideration, I have concluded that as a merely voluntary institution has no right to link me in its responsibility without my consent, I shall no longer consent to bear any part of the responsibility of this Society. I have made up my mind to take no more part in its proceedings, and to withdraw from all further connection as officer and member. And I have seen no way by which I could make this known to such as are concerned, so proper as to say what I have said to the Convention of my Diocese.

In almost every address I have made to the Convention of the Diocese, I have felt the necessity of urging upon the clergy and



laity a more earnest attention to the duty of propagating the gospel by missionary labor, and of the clergy's making that duty a prominent subject of their instructions to their people. I do not feel discharged from that necessity yet. On the contrary, brethren, I deeply feel how far behind our duty we are in this whole matter—how little is done by our people compared with what ought to be done, and might be done, to sustain missionary labors in our own diocese, and to help the cause of missions abroad. I wish I could draw the attention of the clergy in this Convention to a more earnest consideration of this subject, than I have ever yet been able to obtain. There is a most vital connection between diocesan prosperity in vital religion and an earnest, active zeal in the diocese for the propagation of the gospel, as there is between individual piety and individual zeal and self-denial for the glory of God. The prayer of David: "Create in me a clean heart, and renew a right spirit within me," stands nearly connected in point of place, and most vitally in point of principle, with his declaration: "*then will I teach transgressors Thy ways, and sinners shall be converted unto Thee.*" There is another expression of the same connection: "I will run the ways of Thy commandments when Thou hast enlarged my heart." A heart enlarged by the grace of God, will—must—be diligent in his commandments; and what commandment of God is there more binding than that of our Master and Head, that his Gospel should be preached to every creature, and, consequently, that his Church should be alive with earnest zeal to have it so?

Whence comes it that so little comes from our parishes for missionary labor—that the hands of our Diocesan Missionary Committee so hang down—that the increase of our missions is so impossible—that the small stipends to the missionaries have to be so slowly paid? I cannot conclude this address without urging on you, my brethren, that this subject may receive from you a more serious and solemn consideration than ever, in order that some measures may be instituted to bring up our parishes nearer to their duty, as a Christian people, in this great matter.

May the blessing of the Lord our God be with you in your present work.

CHARLES PETTIT McILVAINE.

ZANESVILLE, September 9, 1847.

The Secretary announced to the Convention that he had appointed the Rev. J. Rice Taylor Assistant Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Brooke moved that a special committee, consisting of two laymen and one clergyman, be appointed to take into consideration so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the XVth Canon on "Lay Discipline."

Which, after some discussion, was adopted; and the Bishop appointed the following persons said committee: Mr. Dille, Mr. Van Hamm, and Rev. Pres. Bronson.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Winthrop,

*Resolved*, That the spirit of the resolutions on page 20 of the Journal of the last Convention be so extended, in reference to the parishes then delinquent, as to cover the time up to the giving in of the Treasurer's Report at the present Convention.

On motion of Mr. E. H. Cumming,

*Resolved*, That the election for delegates to the General Convention be held on to-morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock, and to that end a committee be appointed to nominate candidates therefor.

Rev. Dr. Brooke proposed the following preamble and resolutions, which were, on motion, laid on the table, and made the order of the day for to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock :

**WHEREAS**, the Church has been, for several years, seriously disturbed by a system of doctrine essentially Romish, called "Tractarianism," which has been from time to time ably and faithfully exposed in the Episcopal charges and other more extended publications of the Bishop of this Diocese: And whereas, the open perversion to Romanism, within the last three years, of the chief propagator and ablest advocate of the said system, with a considerable number of its adherents, in England and this country, leaves no reasonable doubt of its fatal tendency: And whereas, there is reason to believe that the leaven of the said heresy is still working its mischievous and corrupting effects upon the doctrinal purity and practical piety of the church: We, the Convention of the Diocese of Ohio, deem it right, expedient, and consistent with our heretofore uniform, decided and avowed opposition to the aforesaid heresy, to reiterate and respectfully republish our sentiments respecting the same, in the two following brief and general resolutions:

*Resolved*, That, in the judgment of this Convention, it is the solemn duty of every *true and consistent Protestant Episcopal Churchman*, to oppose, in every appropriate position, and by all proper means, all the essential and distinguishing features of that system of error which is known by the name "Tractarianism."

*Resolved*, That our delegates to the next General Convention, be and they are hereby instructed to confer with the delegates to that body from other dioceses, who are opposed to Tractarian errors, and to take such action against the same as such a consultation may indicate to be wise and expedient.

On motion of Rev. Pres. Bronson,

*Resolved*, That so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the subject of missions be referred to the Committee on Missions.

On motion, the Convention adjourned till to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.



FRIDAY, Sept. 10, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Convention met, and after devotional services proceeded to business.

The minutes of the last two meetings were read and approved.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following additional delegate: from

St. Luke's Church, Marietta ----- A. L. Guitteau.

who appeared and took his seat.

The Rev. Anson Clark, the Rev. Erastus Burr, the Rev. George D. Gillespie, and the Rev. Prof. M. T. C. Wing, arrived and took their seats in the Convention.

The Parochial Reports were called for, and were directed by the Bishop to be laid on the Secretary's table. [See Appendix A.]

The Bishop appointed the following persons a committee to nominate Delegates to the next General Convention: Rev. M. T. C. Wing, Rev. Anson Clark, and Mr. E. H. Cumming.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Brooke, the motion for the approval of the minutes of the last meeting was reconsidered, and it was ordered that certain words in the resolution on the subject of the Canon on Lay Discipline be stricken out; and the minutes as amended were again approved.

The resolutions of Rev. Dr. Brooke, on the subject of Tractarianism, were called for, and after having been read by the Secretary, were discussed until the hour for divine service arrived, when,

On motion, the house adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

FRIDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled according to adjournment, and after devotional exercises, proceeded to business.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following addi-

tional Lay Delegate, who accordingly appeared and answered to his name:

St. Paul's Church, Cincinnati-----William Wood.

The discussion of the resolutions on Tractarianism continued until the hour appointed for the election of Delegates to the General Convention, when, on motion, it was resolved, that the rules be suspended.

The discussion of the aforesaid resolutions continued until the hour for adjournment, when,

On motion, the Convention adjourned to 8 o'clock on Saturday morning.

SATURDAY, Sept. 11, 8 o'clock, A. M.

Convention met, and after devotional exercises proceeded to business.

The minutes of the last two meetings were read, corrected, and approved.

The Committee on Credentials presented the name of the following additional Lay Delegate, who accordingly appeared and took his seat in the Convention:

St. Paul's Church, Mount Vernon-----Columbus Delano.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Muenscher,

*Resolved*, That the question before the house be deferred, in order that reports may be received and referred.

Henry B. Curtis, Esq., the Treasurer of the Diocese, then presented his report, which was, on motion, received and referred to the Committee on Finance. [See Appendix C.]

The Committee for nominating Delegates to the General Convention made the following report:

The Committee on the nomination of Delegates to the General Convention beg leave to report the following names:

*Of the Clergy*—Rev. John T. Brooke, D. D., Rev. Erastus Burr, Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rev. William A. Smallwood.

*Of the Laity*—D. K. Este, O. T. Reeves, C. Delano, and M. G. Mitchell.

M. T. C. WING, *Chairman*.

Which was received and laid on the table.

The Committee on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the XVth Canon on Lay Discipline, submitted the following Report :

The Special Committee to whom was referred so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the 15th Canon, having had the same under consideration, respectfully report — That in their opinion there is a great want of precision and definiteness in the terms of the second section, as well as inequality in its provisions. And from the fact that there has been such a diversity of construction of this section, it is obvious that it ought to be so modified in its language as to insure uniformity of action, as well as to preserve the rights of all parties and the purity of the Church.

Your committee therefore recommend that the whole of said section be stricken out, and the following adopted in its stead :

“SECT. 2. Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.”

I. DILLE, *Chairman*.

Which was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Canons.

The resolutions on Tractarianism being in order,

It was moved by Mr. George D. Hine, that the resolutions be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. William Wood moved the previous question.

Rev. Dr. Brooke gave notice that he should call for the vote by Orders and Parishes, when, the hour for divine service having arrived,

The Convention, on motion, adjourned till half past one o'clock, P. M.

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SATURDAY, 1½ o'clock, P. M.

The Convention assembled agreeably to adjournment, and after singing and prayer, proceeded to business.

The Rev. Dudley A. Tyng took his scat in the Convention.

A division of the resolutions of Rev. Dr. Brooke being called for, it was accordingly resolved to take them up separately.

The Convention then proceeded to vote upon the resolutions, when, at the request of five members, the vote was ordered to be taken by Orders and Parishes, and the ayes and nays were directed to be recorded.

The vote upon the preamble stood as follows :

#### CLERGY.

*Ayes*—Rt. Rev. Bishop McIlvaine, Rev. Messrs. Arnett, Badger, Blake, Britton, Bronson, Brooke, Bryan, Burr, Canfield, Clark, Cracraft, Denison, Dobb, Dubois, Freeman, French, Gillespie, Granville, Gray, Guion, Holden, Killin, Lewis, McMurphey, Miller, Morse, Muenscher, Perry, Phelps, Smallwood, Smith, Stout, Sturges, J. R. Taylor, O. Taylor, Thompson, Tyng, Wing and Winthrop—40.

*Nays*—Rev. Messrs. Richards and Windsor—2.

#### LAITY.

*Ayes*—Christ Church, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; Christ Church, Dayton; Trinity, Newark; St. Luke's, Granville; Harcourt Parish, Gambier; St. James', Piqua; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; St. Peter's, Delaware; St. Paul's, Steubenville; St. James', Cross Creek; St. Paul's, Chillicothe; Trinity, Columbus; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. Paul's, Medina; St. James', Zanesville; St. Luke's, Marietta; St. Matthew's, Perry; All Saints', Portsmouth; St. Mark's, Mill Creek; St. Timothy's, Massillon; Christ Church, Springfield; St. John's, Dover; St. Matthew's, Madison; Zion Church, Dresden; Christ Church, Hudson; Trinity, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Euclid; St. James', Kingston; St. Paul's, Cleveland—30.

*Nays*—Grace Church, Cleveland—1.

The vote on the first resolution was the same.

The vote on the second resolution stood as follows :

#### CLERGY.

*Ayes*—Rt. Rev. Bp. McIlvaine, Rev. Messrs. Arnett, Badger, Blake, Bronson, Brooke, Bryan, Burr, Canfield, Clark, Cracraft, Denison, Dobb, Dubois, French, Granville, Gray, Holden, Killin, Lewis, McMurphey, Miller, Morse, Muenscher, Perry, Phelps, Smallwood, Smith, Sturges, J. R. Taylor, Thompson, Tyng, Wing, Winthrop—34.

*Nays*—Rev. Messrs. Britton, Freeman, Gillespie, Guion, Richards, Stout, O. Taylor, Windsor—8.

#### LAITY.

*Ayes*—Christ Church, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Cincinnati; Trinity, Newark; St. Luke's, Granville; Harcourt Parish, Gambier; St. James', Piqua; St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon; St. Peter's, Delaware; St. Paul's, Steubenville; St. James', Cross Creek; St. Paul's, Chilli-

cothe; Trinity, Columbus; St. Philip's, Circleville; St. Paul's, Medina; St. James', Zanesville; St. Luke's, Marietta; St. Matthew's, Perry; All Saints', Portsmouth; St. Mark's, Mill Creek; St. Timothy's, Massillon; Christ Church, Springfield; St. John's, Dover; St. Matthew's, Madison; Zion Church, Dresden; Christ Church, Hudson; Trinity, Cincinnati; St. Paul's, Euclid; St. Paul's, Cleveland—28.

*Nays*—Christ Church, Dayton; St. James', Kingston; Grace Church, Cleveland—3.

A majority of both Orders having voted in favor of the resolutions, they were declared to be adopted.

On motion, the Convention then proceeded to the election of Delegates to the General Convention.

The Bishop appointed Rev. Mr. Gillespie and Mr. W. Thrall tellers.

On motion, it was resolved, that a committee be appointed to nominate the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

The president appointed the following persons said committee, viz: Rev. Mr. Blake, Rev. Mr. Denison and Mr. Wm. Wood.

On motion, it was resolved, that the same committee be charged with the duty of nominating the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, and also the Sunday School Committee.

On motion, it was resolved, that a committee be appointed to nominate persons to fill any vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Diocese.

The president appointed the following persons said committee, viz: Rev. Mr. Wing, Rev. Mr. Canfield and Mr. E. H. Cumming.

On motion, it was resolved, that the same committee be charged with the same duty with reference to the General Theological Seminary.

The Missionary and Education Committee presented the following report, which was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Missions:

The Missionary and Education Committee respectfully report to the Convention, that, during the year, eight missionaries have been laboring under the appointment of this committee, as follows: Rev.

Mr. Wheeler, at Springfield, Jefferson county; Rev. J. R. Taylor, at Milan and Wakeman; Rev. O. Taylor, at Lower Sandusky; Rev. A. Guion, at Lancaster; Rev. Mr. Clotworthy, at Peninsula, Summit county; Rev. Mr. Bryan, at Windsor; Rev. Mr. Gray, at Cross Creek, and Rev. Mr. Holden, at Grafton and Penfield. Rev. Messrs. Guion and J. R. Taylor, have been supported by the convocations to which they belong.

Of the others, the Rev. Messrs. Bryan, Clotworthy, O. Taylor, and Holden, have, at different times during the year, resigned their appointments; and on the first of January last, the parish at Milan became self-supporting.

The amount of the appropriations to the missionaries during the year has been seven hundred and ninety seven dollars and fifty cents. Not all of this, however, is payable, on account of the resignation of some of the missionaries.

The operations of the committee, however, and of course the report required of them, constitute but a small part of the efforts made by this Diocese in the extension of the Church. The Northwestern Convocation have labored with praiseworthy zeal in the establishment of the Church at Milan and Mansfield; and the Scioto Convocation have, with equal zeal, supported a missionary at Lancaster, and conducted missionary operations in other places; and efforts have also been made at Cincinnati, and perhaps other places, to establish the Church in their vicinity.

Appropriations have also been made to six beneficiaries, to the amount of \$222 50; all of whom are pursuing their studies at Gambier. Four of them are in the Theological Seminary, and two preparing for college.

One of the above is supported by a single individual, at Portsmouth, and the greater part of a scholarship has been raised in Mt. Vernon.

It would be desirable that, as far as practicable, individuals or parishes should assume the support, each, of a beneficiary. An acquaintance and bond of union might thus be formed between the giver and receiver, which would afford lasting pleasure and interest to both.

Nor is what is done through the committee all that is doing in behalf of education for the ministry. A few pious young men in this Diocese, who have means of their own, are studying with a view to the ministry, and five are now in college who are paying their way partly through facilities afforded by officers of the institutions at Gambier.

By the two agents appointed last summer, twenty-one churches were visited and funds collected to the amount of \$312, and pledges for five years to the amount of \$295.

Now, upon this statement of the efforts that have been made, it must be evident to all, that much more might be and ought to be done. What is needed, however, must be clear to all; but the spirit to do it must come from above.

S. A. BRONSON, *Chairman.*

On motion, it was resolved, that the Report of the Scioto Convocation, with a document attached on the subject of worldly amusements, be read to this Convention, which was accordingly done.

The Treasurer of the Missionary and Education Committee made the following report, which was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Missions:

**N. BADGER, Treasurer, in account with the Missionary and Education Funds of the Diocese.**

| 1846-7.                                                        | Dr.     |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------|
| To balance from former Treasurer-----                          | \$17 06 |
| College scrip from former Treasurer-----                       | 96 35   |
| Cash from Christ Church, Springfield-----                      | 17 00   |
| Sunday School of do-----                                       | 3 25    |
| Female Missionary Association, Delaware----                    | 6 00    |
| Rev. J. B. Britton, by Rev. A. Wheeler-----                    | 2 00    |
| Do. by H. N. Bishop-----                                       | 5 00    |
| Collection at Convention in Delaware-----                      | 69 00   |
| Trinity Church, Columbus-----                                  | 22 50   |
| Do. by Rev. A. Guion-----                                      | 90 00   |
| Ladies' Missionary Society of Trinity Church,<br>Columbus----- | 100 00  |
| Trinity Church, Newark-----                                    | 12 25   |
| Ladies' Missionary Society of Trinity Church,<br>Newark-----   | 25 00   |
| St. James', Zanesville-----                                    | 29 40   |
| St. John's, Lancaster-----                                     | 10 00   |
| St. Philip's, Circleville-----                                 | 14 27   |
| Sunday School of St. Philip's, Circleville----                 | 5 00    |
| St. Philip's, Circleville, by Rev. A. Guion---                 | 20 00   |
| Christ Church, Cincinnati-----                                 | 107 00  |
| St. Paul's, Cincinnati-----                                    | 50 13   |
| Member of Grace Church, Cincinnati-----                        | 25      |
| St. James', Piqua-----                                         | 8 50    |
| Christ Church, Dayton-----                                     | 20 86   |
| Kenyon Circle, Boston, Mass., by William B.<br>Reynolds-----   | 50 00   |
| St. John's, Ohio City-----                                     | 4 50    |
| Rev. A. Bronson and Mr. O'Brien, of Hudson,<br>each \$1-----   | 2 00    |
| St. Paul's, Norwalk-----                                       | 32 00   |
| Washington Kinney, Portsmouth-----                             | 75 00   |
| All Saints', Portsmouth, by Rev. A. Guion---                   | 100 00  |
| St. Luke's, Marietta-----                                      | 25 00   |
| Ladies' Missionary Association of Marietta---                  | 3 38    |
| St. John's, Cuyahoga Falls-----                                | 3 00    |

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|                                                           | Dr.     |
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| To cash from Rev. A. B. Hard, Pennsylvania-----           | \$97 00 |
| Grace Church, Sandusky City-----                          | 40 00   |
| St. Paul's, Mt. Vernon-----                               | 44 38   |
| St. Luke's, Granville-----                                | 15 00   |
| St. Paul's, Steubenville-----                             | 17 00   |
| St. Timothy's, Massillon-----                             | 39 00   |
| Trinity Church, Cincinnati-----                           | 10 00   |
| Harcourt Parish, Gambier-----                             | 20 68   |
| St. John's, Worthington-----                              | 5 00    |
| J. Bassett, Boardman-----                                 | 1 00    |
| St. James', Boardman, and St. Stephen's, Can-<br>field -- | 6 50    |
| St. Luke's, Milan-----                                    | 10 50   |
| St. Stephen's, Grafton-----                               | 10 00   |
| Christ Church, Penfield-----                              | 5 00    |
| St. Paul's, Cleveland-----                                | 27 50   |
| St. Paul's, Medina-----                                   | 10 00   |
| Christ Church, Liverpool-----                             | 3 00    |
| St. Albans Deersville-----                                | 3 06    |
| St. Matthew's, Plymouth-----                              | 1 00    |
| St. Paul's, Chillicothe, by Rev. A. Guion----             | 90 00   |
| Mr. Pinney, of Columbus-----Pledge,                       | 5 00    |
| Mr. Canfield, Medina-----do--                             | 5 00    |
| Do. second payment-----do--                               | 5 00    |
| Rev. G. S. Davis-----do--                                 | 5 00    |
| Mrs. B. Reed, Putnam-----do--                             | 5 00    |
| Miss N. Doddridge, Circleville-----do--                   | 5 00    |
| Do. second payment-----do--                               | 5 00    |
| H. Lawrence, Circleville-----do--                         | 5 00    |
| Rev. Mr. McMurphey-----do--                               | 5 00    |
| A. H. Bean, Springfield-----do--                          | 5 00    |
| G. C. Johnston, Piqua-----do--                            | 5 00    |
| Do. second payment-----do--                               | 5 00    |
| G. V. Dorsey, Piqua-----do--                              | 5 00    |
| Mrs. McCorkle, Piqua-----do--                             | 5 00    |
| James Starrett, Piqua-----do--                            | 5 00    |
| Do. second payment-----do--                               | 5 00    |
| E. E. Fillmore, Zanesville-----do--                       | 5 00    |
| Mrs. Van Buren, Zanesville-----do--                       | 5 00    |
| Dr. M. W. Stamp, Mt. Vernon-----do--                      | 5 00    |
| Do. second payment-----do--                               | 5 00    |
| Mrs. Taylor, Cincinnati-----do--                          | 5 00    |
| Mrs. Kilgour, Cincinnati-----do--                         | 5 00    |
| Bishop McIlvaine-----do--                                 | 5 00    |
| Rev. J. T. Brooke-----do--                                | 5 00    |
| Rev. E. Winthrop-----do--                                 | 5 00    |
| Rev. J. B. Britton-----do--                               | 5 00    |
| Rev. L. L. Holden-----do--                                | 5 00    |



| 1846-7.                                 | Dr.               |
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| To cash from Rev. N. Badger-----Pledge, | 5 00              |
| Rev. A. Wheeler-----do--                | 5 00              |
| Rev. T. M. Smith-----do--               | 5 00              |
| Rev. G. W. Dubois-----do--              | 5 00              |
| Total -----                             | <u>\$1,577 27</u> |

| 1846-7.                           | Cr.               |
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| By cash paid Rev. O. Taylor ----- | \$25 00           |
| Rev. J. R. Taylor -----           | 19 50             |
| Rev. J. W. Cracraft -----         | 25 00             |
| Rev. L. L. Holden -----           | 55 00             |
| Rev. A. Wheeler -----             | 105 90            |
| Rev. J. L. Bryan -----            | 55 00             |
| Rev. R. Gray -----                | 131 78            |
| Rev. Wm. Clotworthy -----         | 10 25             |
| Rev. A. Guion-----                | 300 00            |
| Rev. A. F. Dobb, Agent-----       | 63 95             |
| Rev. S. A. Bronson, Agent -----   | 13 50             |
| Beneficiaries -----               | 547 86            |
| Total paid out -----              | <u>\$1,352 74</u> |
| Balance in Treasury-----          | 128 18            |
| College scrip -----               | 96 35             |
| Total -----                       | <u>\$1,577 27</u> |

The Committee appointed for that purpose, nominated the following persons to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Diocesan Theological Seminary: Rev. S. A. Bronson, Rev. W. W. Arnett, M. W. Stamp, I. Dille.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the above named persons were unanimously elected.

The Standing Committee on Canons, to whom was referred the report of the Special Committee, on so much of the Bishop's Address as relates to the XVth Canon on "Lay Discipline," recommended that the report of the latter Committee be adopted, and the proposed section be substituted in the place of section 2d of Canon XV.

On motion, the report was received, and the proposed substitute adopted.

The tellers appointed to receive and count the ballots for Delegates to the General Convention, reported that the following persons were duly elected :

*Of the Clergy*—Rev. W. A. Smallwood, Rev. Joseph Muenscher, Rev. John T. Brooke, D. D., Rev. Erastus Burr.

*Of the Laity*—C. Delano, O. T. Reeves, M. G. Mitchell, D. K. Este.

On motion, the house adjourned to 7 o'clock, P. M.

SATURDAY, 7 o'clock, P. M.

The Convention again assembled, and was opened by the usual religious services.

On motion of Mr. Wm. Wood,

*Resolved*, That a Committee of three laymen and two clergymen be appointed to equalize assessments upon the parishes, and report to the next Convention.

The Bishop appointed the following persons said Committee : Rev. Mr. Wing, Rev. Mr. Muenscher, Messrs. E. H. Cumming, M. W. Stamp, and Wm. Wood.

The Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, reported the following : Rev. J. T. Brooke, D. D., Rev. J. Muenscher, Rev. W. A. Smallwood, Rev. E. Burr, Rev. W. W. Arnett ; Messrs. D. K. Este, O. T. Reeves, C. Delano, M. G. Mitchell.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the nomination of the Committee confirmed.

The Sunday School Committee presented the following report, which was received.

The Sunday School Committee of the Diocese, respectfully report to the Convention—That during the past year both Depositories have been kept open, and as large an assortment of Sunday School books has been kept for sale as our limited capital would allow.

Reports have been received from twenty-eight Sunday Schools, numbering in all, three hundred and forty-four teachers, and two thousand two hundred and ninety-four scholars.

Your committee are happy to be able to express the opinion, that the Church Catechism, furnishing, as it does, a sound and excellent system of religious instruction, is gradually becoming more generally used in our Sunday Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

ALVAH GUION, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Nominations submitted the following as the nomination for the Standing Committee of the Diocese: Rev. Messrs. J. Muenscher, M. T. C. Wing, and J. T. Brooke, Messrs. C. Delano, M. W. Stamp, and H. L. Thrall.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the nomination confirmed.

The same committee submitted the following as the nomination for the Sunday School Committee: Rev. Messrs. G. D. Gillespie, G. W. Dubois, and A. Blake, Mr. Wm. Wood, Mr. W. Van Hamm, and Mr. Hewlitt.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the nomination confirmed.

The same Committee also submitted the following as the nomination for the Missionary and Education Committee: Rev. Messrs. M. T. C. Wing, S. A. Bronson, N. Badger, and T. M. Smith; Messrs. E. Alling, M. W. Stamp, H. L. Thrall, and M. White.

On motion, the ballot was dispensed with, and the nomination confirmed.

The Standing Committee on Missions presented the following report:

The Committee on Missions beg leave to report:—That they have examined the various documents submitted to them, and given to the subject such attention as the nature of the case would allow. They take pleasure in being able to state that the Church in this Diocese has done better during the last year than the year previous. About six hundred dollars more have been paid into the treasury than was paid last year, which they trust may be set down as evidence of increased attention to and interest in the great subject of missions. Still they regret to say that the committee are in debt some four hundred dollars, to beneficiaries and others, which ought soon to be paid. This certainly indicates that the Church, though improving, has not yet reached the measure of her duty, at least with reference to the matter of pecuniary contribution. No doubt much has been done by parishes and individuals, the results of which do not appear in any report, and which will not perhaps appear till the last final report is made at the bar of God, when every work shall be brought into judgment, whether it be good or bad. Still it cannot be doubted that there is a lamentable want of zeal and interest amongst us upon this great subject. Multitudes of parishes in our Diocese are languishing for the want of an ambassador of heaven to break to them the bread of life. In multitudes more the Church might be estab-

lished, and the ministrations of the gospel thus be extended to those who need them, if we only had missionaries (and the money to sustain them) to send them. Now, why this deficiency—why this lack of interest? Why must the Church be compelled, from year to year, to go a begging? Why must she, as it were, get down upon her knees and beg of her children to have mercy upon the perishing? Undoubtedly it is for the want of the love of Christ and the precious souls for which he has died. It is because the flame of devotion on the altar of our hearts is not kept burning. If we could all say with the blessed Apostle, the love of Christ constraineth us, there would be no deficiency either of money or laborers. Our love has grown cold. It is to be feared we have become and are becoming more and more worldly minded. Every man seeketh his own—not the good of others and the glory of God. It is sad to think so; but so it is. It is a humiliating confession, but it must be made. And where is the remedy? There must be more prayer. There must be a deeper work of grace. The clergy must preach more upon the subject. The great duty of self-consecration must be pressed home upon the hearts and consciences of every disciple of Christ. But your committee cannot forget that there is a most important reciprocal influence between habit and principle. An Apostle has said, with reference to the Patriarch Abraham, “seest thou how faith wrought with His works, and by works was faith made perfect?” Faith is indeed the gift of God; but it is of no consequence unless it is strengthened and perfected by action. It is so with any virtue of the Christian character. It is specially the case with the grace of Christian charity. There must be a habit of benevolence; and in order to the cultivation of this habit you must have some system. You must give the current a definite, fixed channel. You must have a definite object to aim at, and specific means and prescribed ways for accomplishing it. Look at the Romanists—see what an advantage they have over us in this respect. Systematic benevolent contribution is with them a matter of binding, religious obligation. They are all expected, as a matter of course, to give, and to give according to their ability. None so poor amongst them, unless actual paupers, that do not give something; and it is given regularly and statedly, and it can be depended upon. It may in any case amount to a small sum, but it is according to the ability of the givers, and it is fixed—certain; and those who have the management of the funds know beforehand what they can do. The Methodists, too, might be cited as an instance of the advantage of having a system of contribution for benevolent objects. But your committee believe the principle will not be doubted by any member of this Convention. The advantages of such a system must be obvious to any one who has ever given it a moment’s thought. Our object now is not so much to advocate the adoption of such a system, as to make some suggestions that may serve to give shape and definiteness to the action of the Diocese upon the subject of missions; and in the first place it is the deep and solemn conviction of the committee that the field of our first care and deepest interest should be our own Diocese. They

would repeat the sentiment uttered by the committee last year: "That this is the portion of the vineyard in which the Master hath placed us to labor, and which we are bound by every consideration of duty, and interest, and propriety, most fully and thoroughly to cultivate." Not that we should entirely neglect others, but that we should take care of our own heathen first; and then, when we have supplied their necessities, go abroad in search of other objects of charity. For the accomplishment of this object the committee would recommend the revival where necessary, and a more thorough carrying out, in all the districts, of the system of convocations, which was adopted a few years ago. Much has been done in this way of which we may well be glad—for which multitudes will have cause to praise God forever. Much more might be done, would the clergy but interest themselves in the work, and be willing to make the necessary sacrifices. It is hoped that none of our parishes who have the stated means of grace, will be unwilling to allow their Rectors to spend at least a few Sundays in missionary labor.

In conclusion, the committee would propose the following resolutions, which they hope will not only be adopted here in Convention, but acted upon when we all return to our parishes:

*Resolved*, That it be earnestly recommended to every parish in the Diocese, where it has not already been done, to adopt some plan of regular, stated, systematic contribution for missionary objects.

*Resolved*, That it be also earnestly recommended to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, to make a remittance to the Missionary and Education Committee, at least once a quarter, say on the first of the months of January, April, July and October.

*Resolved*, That it be also earnestly recommended to the clergy and parishes of the Diocese, to forward all moneys collected for domestic missions to the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, with the understanding that if there should be more than enough to supply the wants of the Diocese, the surplus shall be forwarded by the committee to the Secretary and General Agent of the Domestic Committee in New York.

H. L. RICHARDS,  
ALEX. F. DOBB,  
WM. S. DRUMMOND.

Which was, on motion, received, and the report and accompanying resolutions adopted.

On motion of Rev. Pres. Bronson, the following resolution was added to those of the committee:

*Resolved*, That it be recommended to individuals and parishes, as far as practicable to assume the support of beneficiaries preparatory to the work of the Holy Ministry.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Denison,

*Resolved*, That the report of the Scioto Convocation on the subject of "wordly amusements," just informally read to this Conven-

tion, be printed as an Appendix to the Journal; and that the Bishop be respectfully requested to address a pastoral letter to the Diocese on the subject of that report, to be read in every church in this Diocese, in the stead of a sermon, on some occasion of the administration of the Holy Communion.

The Committee on Finance made the following report in relation to the Report of the Treasurer of the Diocese, and to Assessments for the ensuing year, which was, on motion, adopted:

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Treasurer's Report, and whose duty it is to make an assessment for the current year, respectfully report:

#### EPISCOPATE FUND.

|                                                                                             |                   |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| The Treasurer's report shows the amount received the past year on the Episcopate fund ----- | \$2,172 99        |
| Amount of deficit last year, and left in arrears due the Bishop -----                       | \$458 93          |
| Amount of Bishop's salary for current year -----                                            | 2,000 00          |
|                                                                                             | <u>2,458 93</u>   |
| Paid to the Bishop during the year -----                                                    | \$2,172 99        |
| Balance due him -----                                                                       | 285 94            |
|                                                                                             | <u>2,458 93</u>   |
| The Bishop's salary for the current year -----                                              | \$2,000 00        |
| Arrears due him -----                                                                       | 285 94            |
|                                                                                             | <u>\$2,285 94</u> |

To meet the above sum we have assessed \$1,955; the balance we are in hopes to get from the arrears due from the parishes, which the Treasurer reports to be \$924. Extra exertions will be needed to raise the necessary amount.

#### GENERAL FUND.

|                                                                             |                 |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| The amount the Treasurer reports to have received during the year, is ----- | \$413 36        |
| The amount paid out -----                                                   | 279 65          |
|                                                                             | <u>\$115 71</u> |

We have estimated the amount that will be needed the coming year at \$525; the expenses of the General Convention will this year greatly increase the amount over what it was the past year.

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|------------------------------------------|---------------|
| To raise that sum we have assessed ----- | \$360 00      |
| There is reported as in arrears -----    | 312 00        |
| And the balance in the Treasury -----    | <u>115 71</u> |

The following table shows the amount in arrears, and from what Parishes, and to what fund due, and also the amount assessed for the current year, and for what funds :

| NAME OF PARISH.                     | ARREARS.         |                  | ASSESSMENT.      |                  |
|-------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                     | Episco-<br>pate. | General<br>Fund. | Episco-<br>pate. | General<br>Fund. |
| Ashtabula, St. Peter's -----        | \$45             | \$10             | \$45             | \$10             |
| Akron, St. Paul's -----             | 30               | 4                | 30               | 4                |
| Berkshire, Grace -----              | 46               | 3                | 10               | 2                |
| Boardman, St. James' -----          | —                | —                | 14               | 2                |
| Boston, Bethel -----                | 5                | 1                | 5                | 1                |
| Batavia, St. James' -----           | 6                | 4                | 2                | 1                |
| Cincinnati, Christ -----            | —                | —                | 250              | 50               |
| “ St. Paul's -----                  | —                | —                | 100              | 30               |
| “ Trinity -----                     | —                | —                | 20               | 5                |
| “ Grace -----                       | 6                | 15               | 20               | 5                |
| Cleveland, Trinity -----            | 116              | 20               | 85               | 12               |
| “ Grace -----                       | 40               | 5                | 15               | 2                |
| “ St. Paul's -----                  | —                | —                | 40               | 10               |
| Columbus, Trinity -----             | —                | —                | 90               | 20               |
| “ St. Paul's -----                  | —                | —                | 38               | 10               |
| Chillicothe, St. Paul's -----       | —                | —                | 90               | 15               |
| Canfield, St. Stephen's -----       | —                | —                | 8                | 2                |
| Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's -----    | —                | —                | 25               | 5                |
| Circleville, St. Philip's -----     | 8                | —                | 45               | 8                |
| Centerville, St. David's -----      | 5                | 1                | 5                | —                |
| Columbia, St. Luke's -----          | 3                | 1                | 3                | 1                |
| Cross Creek St. James' -----        | —                | —                | 20               | 5                |
| Delaware, St. Peter's -----         | —                | —                | 50               | 8                |
| Deersville, St. Albans' -----       | 5                | 1                | 5                | 1                |
| Dayton, Christ -----                | 51               | 51               | 50               | 8                |
| Dover, St. John's -----             | 25               | 7                | —                | —                |
| Dresden, Zion -----                 | —                | —                | 8                | 2                |
| Elyria, St. Andrew's -----          | 33               | 10               | 5                | —                |
| East Liverpool, St. Stephen's ----- | —                | —                | 2                | 1                |
| Euclid, St. Paul's -----            | —                | —                | 5                | 1                |
| Franklin, Christ -----              | 15               | 7                | —                | —                |
| Granville, St. Luke's -----         | —                | —                | 20               | 4                |
| Gambier, Harcourt -----             | 30               | 4                | 40               | 6                |
| Greenville, St. Paul's -----        | —                | —                | 5                | 1                |
| Grafton, St. Stephen's -----        | —                | 2                | 5                | 1                |
| Huron, Christ -----                 | 3                | —                | 10               | 2                |
| Hudson, Christ -----                | —                | —                | 15               | 4                |
| Hamilton, St. Matthew's -----       | 5                | 1                | 5                | 1                |
| Jefferson, Trinity -----            | 5                | 1                | 5                | 1                |
| Kingston, St. James' -----          | —                | —                | 3                | 1                |

TABLE — Continued.

| NAME OF PARISH.                          | ARREARS.         |                  | ASSESSMENT.      |                  |
|------------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
|                                          | Episco-<br>pate. | General<br>Fund. | Episco-<br>pate. | Gen'ral<br>Fund. |
| Lyme, Trinity -----                      | —                | \$4              | \$5              | \$1              |
| Liverpool, Christ -----                  | —                | 1                | 3                | 1                |
| Lower Sandusky, St. Paul's -----         | \$29½            | 3                | 4                | 1                |
| Lancaster, St. John's -----              | —                | —                | 2                | 1                |
| Marietta, St. Luke's -----               | —                | —                | 25               | 5                |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's -----             | 20               | —                | 45               | 5                |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's -----           | —                | —                | 35               | 5                |
| Mill Creek, St. Mark's -----             | —                | 5                | 10               | 2                |
| Medina, St. Paul's -----                 | —                | —                | 40               | 5                |
| Madison, St. Matthew's -----             | —                | —                | 10               | 2                |
| Maumee, St. Paul's -----                 | 70               | 11               | 5                | 1                |
| Milan, St. Luke's -----                  | —                | —                | 5                | 1                |
| Newark, Trinity -----                    | —                | —                | 40               | 10               |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's -----                | —                | —                | 35               | 6                |
| Newton Falls, St. Mark's -----           | 20               | 4                | —                | —                |
| Ohio City, St. John's -----              | 44               | 32               | 15               | 4                |
| Painesville, St. James' -----            | 35               | 6                | 35               | 5                |
| Piqua, St. James' -----                  | —                | —                | 55               | 10               |
| Portsmouth, All Saints' -----            | —                | 10               | 60               | 10               |
| Plymouth, St. Matthew's -----            | —                | 1                | 5                | 1                |
| Penfield, Christ -----                   | —                | 2                | 2                | 1                |
| Pittsfield, Calvary -----                | 4                | 2                | —                | —                |
| Rome, St. Peter's -----                  | 1½               | 4                | 2                | —                |
| Springfield, Clarke Co., Christ -----    | —                | —                | 10               | 2                |
| Steubenville, St. Paul's -----           | 59               | —                | 50               | 10               |
| Strongsville, St. Philip's -----         | 60               | 7                | —                | —                |
| Sandusky City, Grace -----               | —                | —                | 45               | 5                |
| Springfield, Jeff. Co., St. John's ----- | 5                | 1                | 5                | 1                |
| St. Clairsville, St. Thomas' -----       | —                | —                | 5                | 1                |
| Sydney, St. Mark's -----                 | 4                | —                | —                | —                |
| Troy, Trinity -----                      | 6½               | 24½              | 10               | —                |
| Toledo, Trinity -----                    | 45               | 6                | 20               | 4                |
| Unionville, St. Michael's -----          | 4                | 5                | 2                | —                |
| Worthington, St. John's -----            | 3                | 6½               | 10               | 2                |
| Warren, Christ -----                     | 20               | 4                | 10               | —                |
| Wooster, St. James' -----                | —                | —                | 15               | 3                |
| Wakeman, St. John's -----                | 1¼               | 7                | 5                | —                |
| Windsor, Christ -----                    | 6                | 4                | 2                | —                |
| Zanesville, St. James' -----             | —                | 12               | 85               | 12               |
|                                          | —                | —                | 1955             | 360              |

Respectfully submitted,

J. MUENSCHER,  
W. THRALL.



On motion of Rev. Mr. Denison,

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Convention be and they are hereby affectionately tendered to the congregation of St. James' Church, and to the citizens of Zanesville generally, for their Christian hospitality and kindness to the members of the Convention at its present session.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Tyng,

*Resolved*, That the next Convention be held in Trinity Church, Columbus, on the day named in the constitution.

On motion of Mr. Dille,

*Resolved*, That the Rt. Rev. Bishop of this Diocese be requested to set apart a day of solemn fasting and prayer to Almighty God on account of our national sins; and that he prepare a suitable service for the several parishes on that occasion, adjuring the God of Nations and the Saviour of men to turn from us the judgments we have so justly deserved, and to impart to our rulers and magistrates that wisdom which results from the fear of the Lord.

On motion, the Convention then proceeded to the election of a Treasurer for the ensuing year, and the ballot being dispensed with, Henry B. Curtis, Esq., of Mount Vernon, was nominated and unanimously reelected.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr,

*Resolved*, That a committee be appointed to report upon the state of the Church to the General Convention.

The Bishop appointed Rev. Messrs. Smallwood and Muenschler said committee.

On motion of Mr. Cumming,

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer be authorized to receive, on any arrears of prior date to the assessments of last year, such sums less than the amount of such arrears, as in his judgment would be within the spirit and meaning of the resolutions heretofore passed on that subject, without regard to the limitations of time therein mentioned.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Burr,

*Resolved*, That the day of holding the next Convention be changed to Wednesday of the constitutional week.

On motion of Rev. Mr. Denison,

*Resolved*, That 750 copies of the Journal be published under the direction of the Secretary.

On motion of Rev. J. Rice Taylor,

*Resolved*, That the Treasurer of the Diocese be instructed to pay the Secretary of its Convention fifty dollars annually, as a remuneration for the discharge of the duties of his office.

The minutes were read, amended and approved.

After the singing of a hymn, and prayer, with the apostolic benediction, the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

CHARLES P. McILVAINE, *President*.

Attest :

WILLIAM C. FRENCH, *Secretary*.

## TRUSTEES, COMMITTEES, &c. FOR 1847-8.

### STANDING COMMITTEE.

REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER,  
REV. M. T. C. WING,  
REV. JOHN T. BROOKE, D. D.,  
COLUMBUS DELANO,  
M. W. STAMP,  
H. L. THRALL.

### DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

REV. WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD,  
REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER,  
REV. JOHN T. BROOKE, D. D.,  
REV. ERASTUS BURR,  
COLUMBUS DELANO,  
O. T. REEVES,  
MATTHEW G. MITCHELL,  
DAVID K. ESTE.

### TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

REV. JOHN T. BROOKE, D. D.,  
REV. JOSEPH MUENSCHER,  
REV. WILLIAM A. SMALLWOOD,  
REV. ERASTUS BURR,  
REV. WILLIAM W. ARNETT,  
DAVID K. ESTE,  
O. T. REEVES,  
COLUMBUS DELANO,  
MATTHEW G. MITCHELL.

### TRUSTEES OF THE EPISCOPATE FUND.

WILLIAM K. BOND,  
DAVID K. ESTE,  
SALMON P. CHASE.

### TRUSTEES OF THE DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

RT. REV. C. P. McILVAINE, D.D. Pres't,  
REV. S. A. BRONSON,  
REV. W. W. ARNETT,  
REV. W. A. SMALLWOOD,  
REV. E. BURR,  
REV. G. DENISON,  
REV. J. B. BRITTON,  
M. W. STAMP,  
I. DILLE,  
S. W. POMEROY,  
H. LAWRENCE,  
C. DELANO,  
H. DUBOIS.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

REV. G. D. GILLESPIE,  
REV. G. W. DUBOIS,  
REV. A. BLAKE,  
W. WOOD,  
W. VAN HAMM,  
MR. HEWLITT.

### MISSIONARY AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE OF THE DIOCESE.

RT. REV. C. P. McILVAINE, D.D. Ch'n,  
REV. M. T. C. WING,  
REV. SHERLOCK A. BRONSON,  
REV. NORMAN BADGER,  
REV. THOMAS M. SMITH,  
E. ALLING,  
M. W. STAMP,  
HOMER L. THRAILL,  
MARDENBRO WHITE.

TREASURER OF THE CONVENTION,  
HENRY B. CURTIS, ESQ., MOUNT VERNON.

SECRETARY OF THE CONVENTION,  
REV. WILLIAM C. FRENCH, GRANVILLE.

# APPENDIX.

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## [ A. ]

### PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

#### CHRIST CHURCH, DAYTON:—REV. W. W. ARNETT, RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 7; total, 10. Confirmed, 26. Marriages, 6. Funerals, 5. Communicants died, 1; removed, 7.

In addition to the ordinary amount of parochial duty in his own cure, the rector has also visited and preached in several neighboring parishes, and has administered the communion once in Troy and once in Greenville.

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#### REV. N. BADGER, PRINCIPAL OF MILNOR HALL,

Reports—That his time has been almost entirely occupied with his duties in Milnor Hall. He has preached but few times in Gambier or elsewhere; but trusts that his labors, bestowed upon the youth committed to his care, have not been entirely useless to the Church.

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#### REV. A. BLAKE, CINCINNATI,

Reports—That he still continues to officiate as assistant minister in Christ Church. In addition to which he has been doing city missionary duty. As city missionary he has officiated at 17 baptisms, 12 funerals, 2 marriages.

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#### ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CHILLICOTHE:—REV. JAMES B. BRITTON, RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults, 5; infants, 31; total, 36. Confirmed, 18. Communicants added—by admission, 22; by transfer, 6; total, 28; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 13; present number, 118. Marriages, 4. Burials, 3. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 40; number of times catechized, monthly. Sunday School teachers, 18; pupils, 75.

The stated collections are weekly for contingent expenses; monthly at the communion for alms.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$90; Convention expenses, \$15; Miss. and Ed. Com. of the Diocese, \$125; Foreign and Domestic Miss. Society, \$65; Society for relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$10; Rev. Mr. Wheeler, \$5; American Bible and Tract Societies, \$70; American Colonization Society, \$30; Bp. White Prayer Book Society, \$5; Improvements (Mission Chapel, Vestry Room, Iron Fence, Chancel and Font), \$700—Total, \$1115. On hand for special missionary purposes, \$47.

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#### ST. JAMES' CHURCH, KINGSTON:—REV. JAMES B. BRITTON.

Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmed, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 3; by transfer, 1; total added, 4; present number, 14.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For Episcopate and Convention expenses, \$4; Miss. and Ed. Com. of the Diocese, \$11,84—Total, 15,84.

**REV. S. A. BRONSON, PRESIDENT OF KENYON COLLEGE,**

Reports to the Bishop—That as agent of the Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, he visited and preached in the parishes of Norwalk, Milan, Wakeinan, Columbia, Strongsville, Ohio City, Cleveland, Hudson, Cuyahoga Falls, and Akron, and has preached in his turn in Rosse Chapel, Gambier, besides attending to his Academical duties. He has also preached in various other places as opportunity was afforded. At Sunbury he has solemnized two marriages.

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**CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI:—REV. JOHN T. BROOKE, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 31; total, 32. New communicants added, 5; whole number, about 170. Confirmations, 8. Funerals, 9.

Collections in the church for various objects of benevolence, \$1300; amount raised by the Ladies' Benevolent Society, \$500, to be applied in the support of a city missionary; other contributions, to building churches, &c., about \$300—Total, \$2100.

On the 15th of August last, I took leave of this parish, to assume the duties of Professor of Pastoral Divinity in the Theological Seminary at Gambier. This separation, made after prayerful consideration, and I trust under divine guidance, cost me a degree of pain which can only be rightly estimated by pastors who have undergone similar trials. But I am happy in being able to add, that however my affectionate flock may have differed from me in their estimate of the expediency of my removal, that difference has not in the least degree alienated from me their personal kindness. Of this they have given me substantial proof, by contributing the endowment of my professorship at Gambier for five years; so that the Institution there will receive whatever services I may be able to render, with very little addition to their present expenditures.

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**REV. JOHN L. BRYAN,**

Reports to the Bishop as follows—That during the past year, he has, in consequence of continued infirmity, performed but little clerical duty. Before he left Windsor, he attended several funerals. He also spent a Sunday at Rome, by way of farewell. On his journey to Granville, he spent a Sunday at Akron, and officiated there twice; and since his residence at Granville he has preached twice in St. Luke's Church.

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**ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, PORTSMOUTH:—REV. ERASTUS BURR, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adults, 5; infants, 11; total, 16. Confirmed, 24. Communicants—number reported last year, 108; died, 2; removed, 10; admitted, 23; received from abroad, 6; total added, 29; present number, 127. Marriages, 11. Funerals, 14. Sunday School teachers, 23; scholars, 130; average attendance, 94.

Contributions for objects out of the parish have been as follows: For the Episcopate, \$60; Contingent fund, \$10; Diocesan Missions, \$100; General Missions, \$10; Theological scholarship, by one individual, \$75; Society for relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$12; American Bible Society, \$14; To aid in the erection of churches, \$122,50—Total, \$403,50.

Through the abounding goodness of God, the parish under my charge has enjoyed a good degree of prosperity during the past year. We have been kept from extremes and preserved in peace. The labors of the pastor have been lightened and cheered by the ready co-operation of his people, and his deficiencies kindly overlooked. May he be hereby incited to greater diligence in coming time; and may his delinquencies find equal indulgence in that day when pastor and people shall stand before the Lord to account for their stewardship.

The Rector has also held frequent services in towns and places adjacent to his parish, where he has met with encouraging success. At Pomeroy he has spent two Sundays, and administered the Holy Communion. That parish has erected a very neat and commodious house of worship, which they have authorized me to report as nearly ready for consecration.

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**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, OHIO CITY:—REV. WM. M. BURTON, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 7; total, 8. Confirmed, 9. Communicants added—by admission, 8; by transfer, 2; total, 10; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 8; present number, 68. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 6.

Collections—For the Episcopate, \$15; Contingent fund, \$4; Communion offerings, \$16.25; Missions, \$9.04—Total, \$44.29.

The above report extends only to the 28th of July, when the Rector relinquished the charge of the parish with the view of entering upon another field of labor.

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**REV. L. BURTON**

Respectfully reports—That he took charge of the church named in the preceding report (St. John's, Ohio City), on the 28th of last July. Since that date, he has held public service in the parish on Sundays, and attended five funerals.

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**ST. PETER'S CHURCH, DELAWARE:—REV. E. H. CANFIELD, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 6; total, 8. Confirmed, 7. Communicants added—by admission, 6; by transfer, 2; total added, 8; lost—by death, 3; by removal, 1; present number, 80. Marriages, 6. Burials, 10. Sunday School teachers, 22; pupils, 133.

The following sums have been raised, viz: For the Episcopate, \$73; Towards furnishing a room in Bexley Hall, about \$30; Society for relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$10; Other objects, about \$900—Total, \$1013.

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**ST. TIMOTHY'S CHURCH, MASSILLON:—REV. A. CLARK, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 6; total, 7. Communicants added—by admission, 2; by transfer, 5; total added, 7; lost—by removal, 1; present number, 51. Marriages, 2. Burials, 9. Sunday School teachers, 10; scholars, 70. Children catechized, 3 times.

Stated collections, once a month for missions.

The following sums have been paid during the year past, viz: For the Episcopate, \$30; Convention expenses, \$5; Diocesan Miss. and Ed. Committee, \$39; Domestic Missions, \$25—Total, \$99.

The prospects of the congregation are encouraging. During the year past, besides defraying the ordinary expenses of the parish, they have procured an excellent organ at an expense of about \$500, built by Mr. Botsford of Wooster. In addition to the regular services in St. Timothy's, the Rector has occasionally held services in Canton, where with proper exertion a parish might soon be formed.

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**REV. CHAUNCEY COLTON, D. D., RECTOR OF CINCINNATI CLASSICAL ACADEMY AND RUGBY SCHOOL.**

In addition to my duties in connection with the educational branch of the ministerial calling, I have preached eight times, administered the holy communion four times, baptized two children, and officiated at one marriage and two funerals.

The Institution under my rectorship has been, during the year, full to its utmost limits, and has, I trust, been growing in the soundest elements of usefulness. With the opening of the present session, the Boarding branch—**RUGBY SCHOOL**—goes into operation under the most favorable auspices. This is designed to be in the best sense, an **EDUCATIONAL HOME**, and as far as practicable to supply, in happy home influences, the want of parental care and training.

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**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, AKRON:—REV. ROBERT G. COX, RECTOR.**

Baptisms, 8. Number of communicants at last report, 65; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 4; present number, 60. Marriages, 3. Burials, 5.

The congregation during the summer has suffered much from the severe sickness that has so extensively prevailed, and from the absence of numbers from town. We confidently look for an improved state of things in the coming winter. God in mercy grant that our expectations may not prove vain.

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**GRACE CHURCH, MANSFIELD:—REV. J. W. CRACRAFT, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adult, 1. Confirmed, 3. Present number of communicants, 11. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3.

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**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MEDINA:—REV. G. S. DAVIS, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 5; total, 7. Confirmed, 4. Communicants added—by admission, 3; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 1; present number, 131. Marriages, 12. Burials, 10. Sunday School teachers, 11; pupils, 47.

Monthly collections have been made at the communion, which have been applied as follows:—For the Episcopate, \$42; Convention expenses, \$7; Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, \$10; Widows' and Orphans' Fund, \$6; Other objects, \$17,48—Total, \$82,48.

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**TRINITY CHURCH, NEWARK:—REV. GEO. DENISON, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 12. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added—by admission, 1; by re-admission, 1; by transfer, 2; total added, 4; lost—by death, 2; by suspension, 2; by removal, 6; total lost, 10; present number, 85. Sunday School teachers, 11; pupils, 100.

The stated collections are weekly, for incidental and all other objects.

The following sums have been raised and appropriated, viz:—For the Episcopate, \$50; Convention expenses, \$14; Missionary and Education Society, (of which \$25 by Ladies' Society), \$37,25; Other objects, say \$108,75—Total, \$210.

The pecuniary condition of this parish has improved somewhat during the past year. The same cannot be said of its spiritual state. Worldly conformity on the one hand and censoriousness on the other have made sad havoc with all that is good. Amidst these trials, the Rector has endeavored to discharge with impartiality and with kindness, some of the most painful duties a clergyman is ever called upon to perform. That all will yet end well he can only hope, because ONE who "will work and none shall let it" hath said: "Thy light shall rise in obscurity, and thy darkness be as the noon-day."

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**REV. THOS. B. DOOLEY, DEACON,**

Reports—That since his ordination, Dec. 25, 1846, he has performed divine service and preached in the parish of St. James', Kingston, ten Sundays, and visited from house to house on one week day. He has held service and preached at the Poor-house two Sundays; three Sundays at Mr. Renick's meeting house, five miles from Chillicothe; two Sundays at the parish of St. John's, Lancaster, performing the regular service of the Church morning and

evening; one Sunday at St. Philip's, Circleville. He also attended the Scioto Convocations, and the remainder of his time has been devoted to St. Paul's, Chillicothe, and the Mission Church which has lately been erected in the City, under the charge of the Rev. J. B. Britton, the Rector of the Parish.

**TRINITY CHURCH, CINCINNATI:—REV. GEORGE W. DUBOIS, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 4. Confirmed, 6. Communicants added—by admission, 6; by transfer, 14; total added, 20; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 2; present number, 39. Marriages, 3. Burials, 2. Average number of children attending the rector's class, every Sunday afternoon, 35. Sunday School teachers, 12; pupils, 90.

The stated collections are—the monthly communion alms, and monthly offerings of the parish.

The following sums have been raised by collection and appropriated as follows: For the Episcopate, \$20; Convention expenses, \$6; Miss. and Ed. Com., \$10; Foreign Miss. Com., \$10; Sunday School, \$10; General fund, \$5; Other objects, \$47.90—Total, \$108.90.

There has also been raised by subscription out of the parish, for the finishing and enclosing of the Church edifice, the sum of \$213.

**ST. DAVID'S CHURCH, CENTERVILLE:—REV. ABRAHAM EDWARDS, RECTOR.**

Baptisms, 22. Communicants added—by admission, 17; by transfer, 3; total added, 20; lost—by death, 5; by removal, 7; present number, 88. Marriages, 2. Burials, 8. Average number of children attending the Rector's catechism class, 30; number of times catechized, every Sunday afternoon. Sunday School teachers, 10; pupils, 70.

Collected for the Bible Society, \$9.82; Other objects, \$7—Total, \$16.82.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, PIQUA:—REV. C. W. FITCH, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 6. Communicants added—by admission, 3; by transfer, 9; total added, 12; lost—by removal, 2; present number, 73. Burials, 2. Sunday School teachers, 13; pupils, 80.

The following sums have been raised and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$55; Convention expenses, \$10; Miss. and Ed. Com. of Diocese, \$10; Foreign and Domestic Miss. Society, \$10.56; Society for relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$7.11; communion alms, \$10.37; rebuilding Church, \$7200—Total \$7303.07.

These statistics, except the last item, embrace only the period since the middle of June, when the present Rector took charge of the parish. There is some uncertainty respecting the present number of communicants, as the Church was without a pastor for a year, and its spiritual interests had suffered some decay.

The vestry in the mean time have been erecting a new Church edifice, which is a proof of their willingness to do their part in making the parish what it should be, rather than a true index of its present strength and prosperity. The building is nearly completed, and already paid for, without aid from abroad. Of the ten houses of public worship in the place, this is decidedly the best. May it be the happiness both of minister and people, that the spiritual house shall not suffer by the comparison.

**GRACE CHURCH, SANDUSKY CITY:—REV. L. N. FREEMAN, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 5; total, 7. Confirmed, 8. Communicants added, 10; removed, 8; present number, 79. Burials, 5. Marriages, 5. The condition of the Sunday School about the same as it was last year.



**Collections**—For the Episcopate, \$40; Convention fund, \$7; communion alms, \$33,39; Diocesan Mission and Ed. fund, \$55; Bethel cause, \$30; Erie Co. Bible Society, \$12; Sunday School Library, \$30; Chairs for the chancel, \$35; Church at Lyme, Huron Co., \$100—Total, \$347,39.

During the season of Lent the Church was opened every Litany day for services and a lecture. On all the Festival and Fast days of the Church full service was held. The means of grace have been faithfully used, but the Rector has reason to complain with the Prophet, "Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?" He has, however, many things to encourage him—a united parish, and kind and affectionate parishioners, who are willing to co-operate with him in promoting the interests of the parish.

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**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, GRANVILLE:—REV. WM. C. FRENCH, RECTOR.**

**Baptisms**—infants, 5. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added—by admission, 3; by transfer, 6; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 1; present number, 66; of whom 11 have removed, although they have not changed their parochial connection. Burials, 4. Sunday School teachers, 10; pupils, 45.

The stated collections are taken up by means of monthly subscriptions.

The following sums have been raised by collection, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$25; Convention expenses, \$5; Miss. and Ed. Com. of the Diocese, \$15; Sunday School of the parish, \$6,13; the purchase of tracts, \$1,25—Total, \$52,38.

The avails of the Ladies' Sewing Society have been applied upon the Rector's salary.

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**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, CINCINNATI:—REV. GEO. D. GILLESPIE, RECTOR.**

**Baptisms**—adult, 1; infants, 16; total, 17; of these in private, 8. Confirmed, 8. Communicants added—by admission, 6; by transfer, 18; total added, 24; died, 2; removed, 14; ceased to commune, 1; reunited with the Presbyterians, 1; present number, 154. Marriages, 10. Burials, 16. Average number of children attending the Rector's catechism class, 20; number of times catechised, 10. Sunday School teachers, 16; pupils, 110; average attendance, 65. Public services—on Sundays, 112; on other days, 73; total, 185. Communion administered 12 times.

The monthly collections have been appropriated as follows: The Episcopate fund, \$11,31; Contingent fund, \$30; Domestic Missions, \$20,17; Diocesan education, \$18,35; Diocesan Missions, \$30,78; Church Extension Society of the parish, \$50; Tracts for use in the parish, 63c.; Sunday School of the parish, \$15,36; Foreign Missions—China and Africa, \$20,61; the Jews, \$2; the Church at Houston, Texas, \$41,30—Total, \$249,51.

The following sums have also been collected: Income of the offertory, \$174,71; received for the Church Extension Society from the congregation in subscriptions and donations, \$178,14; collected to pay the assessment for the Episcopate fund, \$168; collected for Ireland, \$2,47; by Rev. C. C. Adams for Church at Key West, \$26; by Rev. J. L. Harrison for Madison, \$32; collected in the Sunday School for Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$37,35—Total, \$618,67—\$868,18.

The proceeds of the Ladies' work and Fair for the present year, devoted in part to the Church Extension Society, amounted to \$242,78. The Church Extension Society had a missionary for their station for six months from January 1st, and are now seeking a clergyman.

The Rector regrets to state that very little interest is shown by the congregation in the religious instruction and training of the young.



**ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, E. LIVERPOOL :—REV. J. B. GOODWIN,**

Of the Diocese of Virginia, has supplied this parish with services nearly half the time during the thirteen months last past. His records show—

Baptisms—adults, 3; infants, 14; total, 17. Communicants added, 16; present number, 19. Candidates for confirmation, 13. Sunday School teachers, 23; pupils, 97.

Our Sunday services are largely attended, and preaching is eagerly listened to. Our church edifice has just been enlarged by the addition of one hundred sittings, which appear to be immediately occupied.

JOHN V. WEBBER, Senior Warden.

**ST. ANDREW'S, ELYRIA, AND ST JOHN'S, DOVER :—REV. WM. GRANVILLE, MISSIONARY.**

ST. ANDREW'S, ELYRIA.—Baptisms—infants, 2. Communicants, 18. Funerals, 2. This parish is so much on the decline, that I deem it necessary to resign the charge.

ST. JOHN'S, DOVER.—Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 7; total, 8. Confirmed, 2. Communicants, 16. Funerals, 1. My labors with this parish will continue without any aid from the missionary fund, the parish having made arrangements for three-fourths of my time.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, CROSS CREEK, AND ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, ST. CLAIRSVILLE :—REV. RICHARD GRAY, RECTOR AND MISSIONARY.**

*Address—Smithfield P. O., Jefferson Co.*

ST. JAMES', CROSS CREEK.—Baptisms—infants, 3. Communicants added, 2; died, 1; removed, 3; withdrawn, 2; present number, 63. Funerals, 5. Marriages, 2. Sunday School teachers, 4; pupils, 30.

Collections—For the Episcopate, \$20; Arrears, \$4; Contingent fund, \$5; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$6—Total, \$35.

The congregation has in some measure improved during the past year, and although there have been many discouragements from the unaccountable prejudices of those who differ from us in our external organization, yet we have some measure of spiritual prosperity. Our Bible class consists of about twenty persons of various ages, and recites in the presence of the congregation, immediately after the prayers and before the sermon, in the afternoon. It is now in the second volume of the Union Questions. My week day services in the surrounding farm-houses appear to retain their interest by the numbers who attend.

ST. THOMAS', ST. CLAIRSVILLE.—Baptisms—infants, 6. Communicants died, 2; present number, 22. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 3.

Collections—For the Episcopate, \$5; Contingent fund, \$3.50—Total, \$8.50.

This congregation has been very good during the past year, but the number of members is still small. The distance from my residence, (twenty-three miles over a very hilly country,) prevents me from doing as much for the spiritual welfare of the people as I wish. My congregation three miles south of St. Clairsville, crowds two rooms of the house where I preach with attentive hearers. For the last four years I have confined myself to expository preaching on the week-day. This has commanded their attention, and from the conversations I have sometimes had after the congregation has been dismissed, I judge has been the means also of profit to them.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, LANCASTER :—REV. ALVAH GUION, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmed, 1. Communicants added, 6; present number, 7. Burials, 1. Sunday School teachers 6; pupils, 27.

The above field of labor was entered by me on the 16th day of October last. During 1836 and '37 the Rev. S. A. Bronson labored in Lancaster and Somerset, and organized a parish embracing the friends of the Church in both towns. He resigned the parish Dec. 5, 1837, leaving eight communicants in Lancaster. From that time to October last, it being nearly eleven years, the parish remained vacant. Of the twenty-four persons who then attached their names to the article of association, only two were to be found when I came to Lancaster last October; and of the eight communicants but one remained.

The parish has, by the blessing of God, been reorganized under the name of St. John's Church, Lancaster, and on Easter Monday last a Vestry was elected. During the winter the Town Hall over the Market House served us as a place for public worship; the past summer divine services have been conducted in the Court House. The congregation has been encouragingly large. A Sunday School has been commenced under the direction and superintendence of the Rector; and an excellent library of 100 volumes, from the Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, has been kindly and generously presented by the friends of this good cause in New York.

After much private consultation with the friends of the Church in Lancaster, and prayer that God would assist and bless our undertaking, a subscription paper was started on the first day of April, to see what could be obtained towards the purchase of a lot, and the erection thereon of an Episcopal Church. The response of the good people of Lancaster was prompt and liberal. In a short time our subscriptions amounted to about \$2,000; to which the ladies, with their needles, the kindness of the Church of the Ascension, New York, and the help of a Fair, added \$300 more.

On the 20th day of May, a corner lot, the best location for a church in town, was purchased for \$667. On the 18th day of August, the corner stone of St. John's Church, Lancaster, to be 61 feet by 41, was laid by me, with religious services, the Rev. James B. Britton and the Rev. Charles B. Stout being present and assisting. This Church, the walls of which are now rising, will be a good specimen of Gothic architecture. Books for the chancel, consisting of very neat and superior copies of the Holy Bible and Prayer Book for the desk, a Bible for the pulpit, and Prayer Book for the communion table, have been presented to the Rector by Christian friends in Philadelphia.

Besides my labors in Fairfield county, I have visited families of the Church and preached in the counties of Perry, Morgan, Athens, Jackson and Hocking; and baptized two children in Rushville, three in Somerset and one in McConnellsville. Churches could soon be established in Athens and McConnellsville.

Christmas was spent in St. Paul's Church, Chillicothe, on the occasion of the Bishop's visit to that parish; presented a candidate, the Rev. T. B. Dooley, for Deacon's Orders, and united in the laying on of hands in the admission to the Holy Order of Priests of the Rev. W. C. French. I have also attended interesting meetings of the Scioto Convocation at Chillicothe, Circleville and Portsmouth. Besides which I have since the last Convention preached several times in the Dioceses of New York and Massachusetts.

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#### ST. PETER'S CHURCH, ASHTABULA:—REV. JOHN HALL, RECTOR.

Baptisms—adults, 2; infants, 6; total, 8. Communicants added—by admission, 2; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 12; present number, 114. Marriages, 3. Burials, 4. The Rector's catechism class, 53 children over 4 and under 16 years. Catechized on Sundays and other occasions of public worship, and at parochial visitations.

The stated collections are two, according to canon, for Episcopate; two semi-annual ones for Missions, and weekly collections at the offertory for the poor, including the minister and his family, and for the expenses of the Lord's Table, and occasional pious and charitable uses.

The following sums have been raised and appropriated, or are ready for appropriation, viz: For the Episcopate, \$20; Convention expenses, \$5; Do-

mestic and Foreign missions, \$18—Total, \$43. The other financial concerns are attended to by the proper officers, according to law, and cannot be reported by me.

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**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CUYAHOGA FALLS, ST. STEPHEN'S, GRAFTON, CHRIST CHURCH, PENFIELD:—REV. L. L. HOLDEN, RECTOR.**

**ST. JOHN'S, CUYAHOGA FALLS.**—Baptisms—infants, 4. Communicants, present number, 50. Burials, 2. Sunday School teachers, 9; pupils, 30.

Collections—For the Episcopate, \$25; Convention expenses, \$5; Diocesan Missions, \$3,29; Other objects, \$3,39—\$36,68.

The present Rector took charge of the above named parish on the 18th of July. His predecessor being by the providence of God taken away so suddenly, some statistics with reference to the past year cannot be included in the above report. The ladies of the parish have lately held a fair, and have now, as the proceeds of this and a former one, about \$275; to be appropriated to the erection of a parsonage. A lot of half an acre has been given by Messrs. Miller and Rattle, and an effort is now making to see what can be done towards building the present season.

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**ST. STEPHEN'S, GRAFTON.**—Communicants lost, by removal, 4; present number, 30. Burials, 1. Marriages, 1. Sunday School teachers, 5; pupils, 20.

Collections—For the Episcopate, \$5; Convention expenses, \$2; Arrears, \$5; Missions, \$10—Total, \$22.

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**CHRIST CHURCH, PENFIELD.**—Baptisms—infant, 1. Communicants, 9. Sunday School pupils in connection with the Methodists, about 40.

Collections—For the Episcopate, \$2; At the communion, for Missions, \$5—Total, \$7.

I resigned the charge of the last two parishes in July.

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**TRINITY CHURCH, JEFFERSON; ST. MATTHEW'S, PLYMOUTH; ST. MICHAEL'S, UNIONVILLE; ST. PAUL'S, HARTSGROVE; ST. PETER'S, ROME:—REV. H. HOLLIS, RECTOR.**

**TRINITY CHURCH, JEFFERSON.**—Baptisms—infants, 3. Communicants added—by admission, 3; by transfer, 1; total added, 4; present number, 17. Marriages, 8. Burials, 1. The catechism is taught in the Sunday School. Sunday School teachers, 6; pupils, 26.

The following sums have been raised by collections, and otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$5; Convention expenses, \$1; Foreign missions, \$1,25; Society for the relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$1,59; Sunday School Library, \$5; The Bible and Prayer Book Society, by sales, &c., \$2—Total, \$15,84.

The members of this parish, with a praiseworthy zeal, the past year have provided themselves with a small, yet quite an appropriate "House of Prayer." Three zealous individuals having provided a lot of one acre, another member made a donation of a building, 30 by 22, which was moved upon the provided site, a porch attached thereto, and the whole appropriately altered, improved, and fitted up for divine worship. A young man of the congregation (the organist) has donated the organ; and the aisles and chancel are in the process of being covered with carpeting. The congregation, beside this, have built a shed and wood-house,—fenced and graded the lot. Appropriately painted and finished, the whole presents a chaste and inviting retreat to those who love to retire from the exciting scenes of the world to offer up prayer and praise to God. Besides one third of my time on Sundays, the Church has been often open for prayers, either with or without a sermon, on the festivals and fasts. Holy Communion celebrated nine times. Lay-reading always supplies the lack of clerical services on Sunday. God grant that many souls may here be renewed, to live for the Redeemer of souls.

**ST. MATTHEW'S, PLYMOUTH.**—Communicants added, 1 ; lost, by death, 2 ; present number, 36. Burials, 3.

The catechism is taught in the Sunday School. Sunday School teachers, 7 ; pupils, 35.

The following sums have been raised by collections, and otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$5 ; Convention expenses, \$1 ; Diocesan Missions, \$1 ; Domestic Missions, \$1 ; Widows and Children of deceased Clergymen, \$1,22 ; contingent expenses, &c., \$1,93 ; Bible and Prayer Book Society, sales included, \$1 ; Sunday School Library, \$6,50—Total, \$18,65.

The members of this rural parish, mostly originally from the Church in Connecticut, have held on in the even tenor of their way, in the old paths, "in quietness and confidence," looking for the harvest as the Lord may will in His own good time. Although it is a scattered population, and the parish small, (several Church families preferring to retain their connection with a parish in an adjoining town,) yet they have not failed to meet on the Lord's day for lay-reading, nor to meet their obligations to the Church as stewards of the Lord. One-third of my time has been spent in this parish. The Holy Communion has been administered seven times, and once to a sick communicant in private.

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**ST. MICHAEL'S, UNIONVILLE.**—Baptisms—adult, 1 ; infants, 4 ; total, 5. Communicants added—by admission, 1 ; by transfer, 4 ; total added, 5 ; lost—by death, 2 ; by removal, 5 ; present number, 20. Burials, 3.

The following sums have been raised by collections, and otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$2 ; Convention expenses, \$1 ; Bible and Prayer Book Society, by sales, \$1—Total, \$4.

To the scattered members of this parish I have attempted to be a shepherd the year past, as follows: In the Church near the village I have officiated four Sundays in morning and evening services. Six times I have held a third service, and one or two other days I have also officiated. And one funeral service has been held in a house of worship in the village. I have celebrated the Holy Communion once in the Church and once in the sick room. Removals and death have reduced this parish, yet there are indications of a reviving state. I trust they may not end in disappointment.

In the town of Geneva, in a school house near Mill's Centre, I officiated most of the year one sixth of my time, holding a third service at the Church, distant four miles. Seven Sundays were spent here ; and here were the four children baptized, in the above report for the parish. The removal of two Church families, including five communicants, rendered it inexpedient to keep up separate services. It is much to be regretted, that the excellent families of this town are so far from their parish church, St. Michael's, Unionville.

I have also spent one Sunday, and twice held a third service in a school house in the vicinity of Mr. J. Ransom's Factory, about four miles from the Church. Mrs. Ransom being a communicant in St. Michael's, with a few others, express a strong desire for services at this point. The result remains to be seen.

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**ST. PAUL'S, HARTSGROVE.**—Nine Sunday services have been given to this feeble parish. One communicant has died, and one has removed. Whether there are more than two remaining I am unable to say. A Sunday School of near 30 pupils is kept up by the people of the neighborhood, of which Mr. Bill, who reads the service every two weeks, is the Superintendent. There are a few families here quite anxious to enjoy the services of the Church, and were there means to sustain a Missionary for this, Rome and Windsor, I should rejoice. But I have no assurance much could be relied on from the parishes.

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**ST. PETER'S, ROME.**—I have held evening service in this parish four times. They have a desirable Church enclosed and neatly painted—a beautiful monument of the zeal of one who has long loved "Christ and his Church."

Would that the people might find it in their hearts to finish the interior before Father Crowell departs to enter on the possession of his "house not made with hands."

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Thus during the year, travelling to and fro, I have read the services 143 times, and preached 136. I have administered the Holy Communion 17 times publicly, and twice privately to the sick. I have baptized 1 adult and 7 children; married 8 couple, and officiated at 5 burials.

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**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, BOARDMAN:—REV. C. F. LEWIS, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 5. Communicants added—by admission, 1; lost—by death, 1; present number, 60. Marriages, 2. Burials, 2. Average number of children attending the Rector's catechism class, 15; number of times catechized, 9.

The stated collections are by weekly offerings, as recommended in the 13th Canon, equally divided and appropriated for the objects of Missions, Education, and Clergymen's, Widows' and Orphans' fund.

The following sums have been raised by collection, or otherwise, viz: For the Episcopate, \$20; Convention expenses, \$5; Miss. and Ed. Com. of the Diocese, (weekly offerings,) \$6,50; Foreign and Domestic Miss. Society, (being the Good Friday collection for Jewish Mission in New York,) \$5; Society for Widows and Children of deceased Clergymen, (weekly offerings,) \$3,25; Purchase of Parish Register from communion alms in Boardman, \$2,50; Communion alms in Canfield, \$2,50; Avails of Ladies' Society in Canfield, applied on the Rector's salary, \$21; Erection of fence around the Church in Canfield, \$15; Avails of Ladies' Society in Boardman by manufacture and sale of 76 yards carpeting, \$28,50; Other items, \$1,25; Partial repairs and painting of Church in Boardman, \$56,69—Total, \$167,19.

It will be seen by this statement that the parish has much to encourage it in point of pecuniary effort, as it has not at any previous time borne so favorable a report in Convention. The parish seems willing and ready to do all that is in its power. It has had to struggle along through difficulties and discouragements of which the diocese has not been generally aware. As regards truly sound and evangelical piety, and a strict adherence to the "old paths" of the Church, neither tending to the one extreme of casting aside the ordinances and external means of grace, nor yet to the other of holding fast to these as the chief and only requisites, there is also a good degree of evidence.

Canfield, which is five miles distant from the original parish at Boardman, has recently taken the necessary steps for its organization into a separate parish, and expects to be admitted into union with the Diocese at this Convention. There has been manifested in this place a decidedly growing preference for the services of the Church, and there is at this time much interest felt for securing a continuance of the services. The congregations are large and regular in their attendance.

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**MISSION CHAPEL OF ST. PAUL'S, CINCINNATI:—REV. EDWARD LOUNSBERY, MISSIONARY.**

The official services which I have to report to the Bishop during my connection with the Mission Chapel of St. Paul's, in addition to the regular services of the Sabbath, are confined to 1 adult baptism, 4 funerals and 5 marriages.

On the 1st of August last I resigned the post, because I was convinced the prospect of success in building up the Church in that locality did not authorize the expenditure of time, labor and money which was contemplated.

Since the 1st of August I have been regularly officiating as the assistant Minister of Christ Church, Baltimore.

**TRINITY CHURCH, TROY, AND ST. PAUL'S, GREENVILLE:—  
REV. WM. MILLER, RECTOR.**

**TRINITY, TROY.**—Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added—by admission, 3; by transfer, 4; total added, 7; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 3; present number, 21. Burials, 1. Sunday School teachers, 8; pupils, 40. The children have been catechized by the Rector 12 times.

There has been raised on the assessment of the parish for the current year, \$3,50; on former assessment, \$25,00—Total, \$28,50.

**ST. PAUL'S, GREENVILLE.**—Baptisms—infant, 1. Confirmed, 1. Communicants added—by admission, 1; present number, 13. Sunday School teachers, 8; pupils, 50.

There has been raised for the Episcopate, \$7,50.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, STEUBENVILLE:—REV. INTREPID  
MORSE, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants and children, 16. Communicants added—new, 8; by transfer, 7; total added, 15; lost—by death, 3; by removal, 6; by suspension, 2; stricken from the list, 3; present number, 117. Marriages 5. Burials, 10. Catechumens, upwards of 25; catechized each Sunday. Sunday School teachers, 14; pupils, 86.

The stated collections are monthly, for contingent expenses; and quarterly, for missionary and other objects.

The following sums have been raised during the past year, by collection, or otherwise, and appropriated; viz: For the Episcopate, \$50; Convention expenses, \$12; Miss. and Ed. Com. of the Diocese, \$17; Gen. Domestic Miss. Committee, \$11; Gen. Foreign Miss. Committee, \$10; Education of a heathen child in China, \$25; Parish Sunday School Library, \$10—Total, \$135.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, MOUNT VERNON:—REV. JOSEPH  
MUENSCHER, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 8; total, 9. Confirmed, 12. Communicants—died, 2; removed, 3; stricken from the list for non-attendance, 4; added, 11; present number, 107. Marriages, 2. Burials, 4. Sunday School teachers, 7; pupils, 50.

Contributions—For the Episcopate, \$53,70; Contingent fund, \$18; Diocesan Missions and Education, \$44,33; Widows' and Orphans' Society, \$6,13; Sunday School Library, \$12,50—Total, \$134,66.

The Ladies of the parish have raised during the year, from the avails of their needles in a sewing circle, \$80, which is to be applied towards the extinguishment of the debt due by the parish for the erection of the church edifice. The Sunday School and Bible Class are under the immediate superintendence of the Rector.

**ZION CHURCH, DRESDEN, AND ST. MATTHEW'S, MADISON:—  
REV. A. T. McMURPHEY, RECTOR.**

**ZION, DRESDEN.**—Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 4; total, 5. Communicants added—by transfer, 5; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 2; total, 3; present number, 13. Burials, 3.

Contributions—For the Episcopate, \$8; Convention expenses, \$2—Total, \$10.

**ST. MATTHEW'S, MADISON.**—Communicants added—by transfer, 2; present number, 23.

Contributions—For the Episcopate, on arrearages, \$10; current year, \$10; Convention expenses, \$2—Total, \$22.



### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WORTHINGTON.

This Church has, during the past year, been deprived of other than the occasional services of Clergymen. Lay-reading has however been kept up. The Sunday School has prospered. Other things remain as they were, except that there has been a loss of 4 communicants—3 by removal, 1 by death.

R. K. NASH,

By request of the Senior Warden.

### REV. HENRY PAYNE, PIQUA.

I have to report, that in consequence of weakness of the organs of voice, I have been unable to undertake the duties of a parish minister, and have therefore been without charge of a parish. I have, however, during the greater part of the time, been able to preach once upon the Lord's day, by having the service read by a lay-reader. I have also during the year baptized 1 infant, solemnized 3 marriages, and conducted the solemn services at 3 funerals.

### CHRIST CHURCH, HUDSON:—REV. A. PHELPS, RECTOR.

Baptisms—infants, 2. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added—by admission, 2; by transfer, 2; total, 4; lost—by removal, 3; present number, 45. Marriages, 5. Burials, 5. Sunday School teachers, 7; pupils, 47.

Collections—monthly. The following sums have been raised and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$15; Convention expenses, \$4; Education and Missionary purposes, \$28; Sunday School Library, \$11; for the destitute of Ireland, \$30—Total, 88.

During the year we have erected a neat church, purely Gothic, which was consecrated the 25th of September last. This is furnished with bell, organ, and all other necessary furniture. The parish is free from debt, though the members were obliged to make many sacrifices of personal convenience to accomplish the undertaking. The whole cost of our Church and furniture was not far from \$3200. This was mostly raised in the parish. Some of the parishes in the vicinity gave us what assistance they could, which kindness is hereby gratefully acknowledged. We also are indebted to the kindness and liberality of Mr. D. H. Arnold, of Brooklyn, New York, for our excellent bell. Several other friends also contributed to assist us in our undertaking. We take this opportunity of expressing our gratitude to the great Head of the Church for his abundant blessings on our endeavors during the four years that our parish has been in active existence. May the dews of His grace be sent down upon us all to enable us to worship Him in the beauty of holiness in His Holy Temple. Besides my regular services at Hudson, I have, during most of the year, preached once in two weeks at Bethel Church, Boston. I have baptized two infants, and attended two funerals at this place. I have also spent one Sunday at Newton Falls, and baptized one child.

### ST. PAUL'S PARISH, CLEVELAND:—G. B. PERRY, RECTOR.

Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 8; total, 9. Confirmed, 8. Number of communicants at the organization of the parish, 37; since added, 17; present number, 54. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 9. We have a flourishing Sabbath School, and a new and quite extensive library.

Collections—For Educational and Missionary purposes, after a sermon on these subjects, \$27,50; Sabbath School Library, \$54; for the purchase of a communion set, \$40. We have held four communions, and collected on those occasions \$28—Total, \$149,50.

The minister of St. Paul's Parish has been settled with the same about eight months. He commenced his labors a few weeks subsequent to its organization. New as it is, and starting as it did under very peculiar circumstances, its present condition is matter of praise and thanksgiving to Almighty God.

The ability of the parish to erect a Church edifice, perhaps need not be questioned; but at present the congregation occupy a spacious and well arranged room in an "upper loft," "according to the Scriptures." We are under no pecuniary pressure, and enjoy great peace and union among ourselves. Our assemblies are very respectable as to numbers and intelligence. We love our Holy Zion, and rejoice in being able to say, that in a happy degree, "God is with us." It is our purpose as we advance in age, and gather more strength, to "do what we can" in promoting the objects contemplated by the Great Shepherd of souls, in the establishment of his Church on earth. We ask of our brethren an interest in their prayers, and a place in their sympathies.

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**TRINITY CHURCH, LYME, &c.:—REV. EPHRAIM PUNDERSON, RECTOR.**

I relinquished my charge of the parish at Lyme, and the station at Bellevue, some time in May last. Upon the church edifice being burnt down during the Lenten Fast, immediate measures were taken for the erection of another, which I have recently heard is near its completion.

At Bellevue, a site had been selected, and a lot procured for a church edifice, and preparations were contemplated for building the ensuing year.

[The statistics of these parishes will be found on page 57.]

For nearly two months last past I have had in temporary charge the parish of Grace Church, Cleveland, (the Rector being absent,) discharging such Sunday services as my health permitted, and such other parochial duty as there has been occasion for.

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**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, COLUMBUS:—REV. HENRY L. RICHARDS, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adults, 4; infants, 13; total, 17. Confirmed, 26. Communicants last year, 69; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 14; added, 26; present number, 79. Marriages, 3. Funerals, 9. Sunday School teachers, 14; pupils, 80.

Funds collected—For the Episcopate, \$40; Contingent fund, \$10; at Ladies' Tea Party, \$200; Quarterly collection, \$18.25; Monthly collection, \$81.49; Communion offerings, \$52.60—Total, \$402.34.

Services have been continued once a month during the year in the suburban station connected with the parish. It is hoped that before long a small country church will be built there.

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**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, ZANESVILLE:—REV. WM. A. SMALLWOOD, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 8. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added—by admission, 3; by transfer, 9; total added, 12; lost—by removal, 8; present number, 107. Marriages, 9. Burials, 6. Average number of children attending the rector's catechism class, 12; number of times catechized, 2. Sunday School teachers, 17; pupils, 96.

There are no stated collections, except for congregational purposes on the first Sabbath of each month.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz:—For the Episcopate, \$85; Convention expenses, \$12; Mission. and Ed. Com. of the Diocese, \$54; For. and Dom. Miss. Society, \$36; Sunday School of the parish, \$24; in payment of church debt, \$1265—Total, \$1476.

The church, though not finished perfectly according to the original plan, is in a very decent condition for the performance of divine worship. The debt has been liquidated more than half during the last year, and measures are in progress, which, it is believed, will, before many months, eventuate in its complete removal. A larger number of pews is rented than at any former period. In temporal things, therefore, we are highly prosperous. In spiritual



things, however, there is far from that life which ought to exist. This is deeply felt and deplored, and the most earnest efforts, both in the way of prayer, and preaching, and juvenile instruction are put forth, with a view to the production of a happier state, under the blessing of God. May the Lord revive his work, and build up his people in their most holy faith, and save sinners from the error of their ways and consequent destruction.

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**HARCOURT PARISH, GAMBIER:—REV. THOMAS M. SMITH, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 4. Confirmed, 2. Communicants added, 6; present number, including students, 72. Marriages, 2. Burials, 3. Children catechized in the church monthly.

Collections, monthly. For the Episcopate, \$38; Convention expenses, \$4; Miss. and Ed. Committee of the Diocese, \$20,68; Society for relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$5,70; Foreign and Domestic Missions, \$13,57; Other objects, \$18,79—Total, \$100,74.

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**CHRIST CHURCH, SPRINGFIELD.**

Communicants added—by transfer, 2; lost—by removal, 3; present number, 28. Funerals, 1. Sunday School teachers, 8; pupils, 40.

Collections—For the Episcopate, \$25; Convention expenses, \$4; Foreign Missions, \$2,25; Diocesan Missions, \$3,43—Total, \$34,68.

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**ST. PHILIP'S CHURCH, CIRCLEVILLE:—REV. CHAS. B. STOUT, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adult, 1; children, 24; total, 25. Confirmed, 5. Communicants added—by admission, 6; by transfer, 3; total added, 9; lost—by removal, 7; stricken from the list for non-attendance, 4; present number about 75. Marriages, 1. Burials, 5. Children catechized frequently in the Sunday School. Teachers, 10; children belonging to the school, 50; average attendance, 35.

The stated collections are quarterly for Missions.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$62; Convention expenses, \$13; Miss. and Ed. Com. of the Diocese, \$22,75; Do. from Miss Doddridge on pledge, \$5; Do. from S. School, on pledge, \$5; A collection appropriated to Lancaster, \$20; Foreign and Domestic Miss. Society, \$17; Society for relief of Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$9,55; Sunday School books, \$6,50; Alms at communion (ten collections) \$42,50; Special collections for the poor, \$8; Carpet, pulpit trimmings, and lamps for church, \$76—Total, \$287,30.

The cost of the enlargement and repairs of the Church has exceeded the first estimate, and has in most cases been cheerfully subscribed by members of the parish. These improvements have added greatly to the comfort and convenience of the building, particularly the interior—the outside being not yet entirely completed. We hope another year to record the pleasing fact, that not only has the external appearance of the Church lot been much improved, but that an organ and bell have been added—the one to call the people to the house of God, the other to aid in singing His praise.

The spiritual condition of the parish is not what it should be; but in common with others is suffering from worldly conformity and apathy. A few have been added, but the frequent neglect of communion on the part of some who have been enrolled as members, gives melancholy evidence of a cold and backslidden state. On the whole, much has been gained the past year, for which we are devoutly thankful, and humbly would we implore the Divine blessing for the future in the building up of the Church of the Redeemer.

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**ST. MARK'S CHURCH, MILL CREEK:—REV. GEO. B. STURGES, RECTOR.**

Baptisms—infants, 6. Communicants added, 4; lost—by removal, 2; present number, 36. Marriages, 2. Burial, 1. Sunday School teachers, 7; pupils, 41.

The following sums have been raised and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, (\$17,50 of which were for arrearages,) \$27,50; Convention expenses, \$2—Total, \$29,50.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MILAN:—REV. J. RICE TAYLOR,  
RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 4; total, 5. Confirmed, 5. Communicants added—by admission, 5; by transfer, 1; present number, 17. Marriages, 4. Burials—Milan, 4; Huron, 5; Norwalk, 1; total, 10. Average number of children attending the Rector's catechism class, 12; number of times catechized, 8. Sunday School teachers, 8; pupils, 30.

The following sums have been collected and appropriated: For the Episcopate, \$5; Contingent fund, \$1; Miss. and Ed. Committee, \$10.50; Society for Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$6; Other objects, \$92.16—Total, \$114.66.

The ladies of the parish, during the past year, have raised \$100, and appropriated the sum of \$150 towards the purchase of a church lot. In addition to this they have procured a communion set, valued at \$20.

About the first of January I relinquished the missionary charge of St. John's Church, Wakeman, and accepted an invitation of the Vestry of my present charge to give them the whole of my services. Thus, from being a missionary station of a year's standing, the parish became *self-supporting*. We have now the pleasing prospect of soon having a comfortable place of worship. A church building is now in rapid progress; and if nothing interrupts, it will soon be ready for consecration. From the commencement of this undertaking there has been a full determination to keep, if possible, free from debt. The amount already collected and subscribed will nearly cover the cost of lot and building, exclusive of furniture for the church.

The Rector, considering that the parish is yet in its infancy, and the many inconveniences which he has shared in common with his people in having no suitable place for holding services, has had much reason to thank God and take courage.

**ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, LOWER SANDUSKY, AND ST. PAUL'S  
CHAPEL, MAUMEE CITY:—REV. O. TAYLOR, RECTOR.**

ST. PAUL'S, LOWER SANDUSKY.—Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 5; total, 6. Confirmed, 1. Communicants added—by admission, 1; by transfer, 1; total added, 2; lost—by death, 2; by removal, 4; present number, 13. Burials, 3. Sunday School teachers, 10; average number of pupils, 45.

There have been no stated collections made.

The following sums have been raised by subscription and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$10; other objects, about \$50—Total, \$60.

ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, MAUMEE CITY.—Baptisms during the past year, by the Bishop of the Diocese—adult, 1; by myself—infants, 2; total, 3. Confirmed, 1. Communicants added—by admission, 1; by transfer, 3; total, 4; lost—by death, 4; by removal, 9; present number, 28. Burials, 4, besides one communicant removed to Canada for burial.

Having but lately entered upon the duties connected with this parish, I am unable to report anything definitely respecting the catechetical class, or Sunday School.

On account of the parish having been deprived of ministerial services during the past year, there have been no collections made, except for the truly praiseworthy object of building and furnishing a neat and commodious chapel for the worship of Almighty God, to whose services it was set apart and consecrated at the late visitation of the Bishop of the Diocese, on the 30th day of June last.

**ST. JAMES' CHURCH, WOOSTER:—REV. GEO. THOMPSON,  
RECTOR.**

Baptisms, 2. Communicants added, 1; present number, 26. Burials, 1. Sunday School teachers, 8; pupils, average attendance, 40.

The following sums have been raised by collection and otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$25; Convention expenses, \$8; other objects, \$237.50—Total, \$270.50.

**TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBUS:—REV. DUDLEY A. TYNG,  
RECTOR.**

This parish was vacant about six months after the last meeting of the Convention. The present Rector was called to the charge in February last, and entered on his duties on Sunday, February 21st, the first Sunday in Lent. The report since that time is as follows:

Baptisms—adults, 5; infants, 3; total, 8. Confirmed, 17. Communicants added—by admission, 9; by transfer, 6; total added, 15; lost by removal, 2; present number, 140. Marriages, 2. Burials, 6. Sunday School teachers, about 30; pupils, white and colored, in two schools, 250.

The following sums have been raised by collection or otherwise, and appropriated, viz: For the Episcopate, \$154,50; Convention expenses, \$42,25; Missionary and Education Committee of the Diocese, \$100; Rev. A Guion, at Lancaster, \$70; Sunday Schools of the parish, \$90—Total, \$456,75.

**TRINITY CHURCH, CLEVELAND:—REV. LLOYD WINDSOR,  
RECTOR.**

Baptisms—adults, 10; infants, 16; total, 26. Confirmed, 37. Communicants added, 36; received from other parishes, 20; total added, 56; lost—by removal and transfer, 41; present number, 140. Marriages, 3. Burials, 19. Sunday School teachers, 15; scholars, about 100. Books in Library, 400.

Contributions to religious objects:—To discharge a debt on the parish, by subscription in the congregation, \$450. Additional sums are promised. For the Episcopate, \$59.

The withdrawal from Trinity Parish of certain members who embarked in the formation of St. Paul's Parish, Cleveland, has so disarranged our finances that the usual contributions which the parish had hitherto made for the support of the Episcopate, contingent expenses of the Diocese, missionary objects, &c., this year could not be raised.

I am happy, however, to be able to add that the finances of Trinity Parish are now placed on a firm and independent basis. The condition of the Parish in other respects will readily be seen by a glance at the statistics in the above report.

**ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, MARIETTA, AND ST. PAUL'S, NORWALK:  
REV. EDWARD WINTHROP, RECTOR.**

ST. LUKE'S, MARIETTA.—Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 6; total, 7. Communicants added—by transfer, 1; lost—by death, 1; by removal, 1; whole number on the 23d of May last, 53. Marriages, 2. Funerals, 3.

From September, 1846, to May, 1847, inclusive, a period of nine months, the contributions of the parish of St. Luke's, Marietta, were as follows, viz: Episcopate and Contingent fund, \$30; For the mission to the Jews, \$10; Diocesan missions, \$28,38; Society for the relief of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen, \$11; American Bible Society, \$11; Other benevolent objects, about \$50—Total, 140,38.

On the 23d of May I relinquished the charge of St. Luke's, Marietta, having accepted a unanimous call to the Rectorship of St. Paul's, Norwalk.

ST. PAUL'S, NORWALK—(since the 31st of May)—Baptisms—adult, 1; infants, 2; total, 3. Confirmed, 1. Communicants added—by admission, 1; by transfer, 1; total added, 2; present number actually attending the communion, between 50 and 60. Funerals, 2. Sunday School teachers, 9; pupils, 41. Catechized by the Rector every Sunday morning.

Since I took charge of this parish in the beginning of June, the contributions have amounted to about \$200. The Sunday School has been re-organized, and a library of 575 volumes purchased, besides maps, question books and other apparatus; \$30 of which were spontaneously contributed in Philadelphia. The Rector has also a Bible Class which meets every Wednesday evening, and promises to be both interesting and useful.

[The following was received too late for insertion in its alphabetical order.—Sec.]

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WAKEMAN, AND TRINITY, LYME: —  
REV. ABRAHAM BRONSON.**

**ST. JOHN'S, WAKEMAN.**—Baptisms, children, 3. Communicants, 20.

The present Rector, after performing almost constant services since the last Convention, either in this Diocese or in the eastern states, took charge of this parish last May, and has spent half his Sundays in it, except an absence once at Hudson. The strength of the parish is much the same as in past years, although the number of communicants is diminished. The church edifice was nearly completed last fall, and is to be finished and painted in a few weeks.

**TRINITY, LYME.**—Baptisms, 2. Communicants, 24. Marriage, 1. Funeral, 1. Collection at Lyme and Bellevue at the offertory, \$13,74.

A Church edifice was built in this parish last year, and was first opened for service on Christmas. But it was by accident burnt down in February. A new building has been erected on the same foundation, but ten feet longer, and is to be ready for consecration next month. The Rev. Mr. Punderson resigned the charge last April; and from the first of June I have devoted half my services to this parish, and have found it to be an extensive field of usefulness.

A parish has been organized at the village of Bellevue, on the west border of this township, but has not been received into regular connection; so its report is included in this.

## ABSTRACT OF PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

[The Secretary begs leave to say that he finds it impossible to prepare an Abstract which shall exhibit any thing like a satisfactory account of the state of the Church in this Diocese, owing to the numerous omissions and deficiencies in many of the above Reports. Out of the 78 Parishes in the Diocese, reports are found above from only 61. Of these some are deficient in one item, some in many, and some in nearly all. The following Abstract is therefore necessarily as imperfect as the Reports.]

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|
| Baptisms in 61 parishes—adults, 76 ; infants, 342 ; not specified, 51 ; total, -----            | 469        |
| Communicants added, 438 ; lost, by death, removal, suspension, &c., 293 ; present number, ----- | 3309       |
| Marriages, -----                                                                                | 147        |
| Burials, -----                                                                                  | 271        |
| Sunday School teachers, 410 ; pupils, 2504 ; total, -----                                       | 2914       |
| Contributions reported for objects <i>strictly benevolent</i> , ----                            | \$5638,05  |
| Contributions reported for all objects whatever, -----                                          | \$26336,09 |

## ABSTRACT OF THE BISHOP'S ADDRESS.

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|
| Number of parishes visited, -----                                                               | 48  |
| Parishes in which Confirmations have been held, -----                                           | 37  |
| Number of persons confirmed, -----                                                              | 281 |
| Admitted to Holy Orders—Deacon's, 9 ; Priest's, 4 ; total, -----                                | 13  |
| Candidates for Orders, -----                                                                    | 7   |
| Churches consecrated, -----                                                                     | 3   |
| Clergy received from other Dioceses, 4 ; removed into other Dioceses, 4 ; present number, ----- | 64  |
| New parishes organized, -----                                                                   | 3   |

[B.]

**Report of the Scioto Convocation on Worldly Amusements.**

[ Referred to on pages 28 and 34.]



Deeply impressed with the force and truthfulness of the decision of the House of Bishops, and what is said in the pastoral letter of the General Convention of 1817, on the subject of worldly pleasures, we would call the attention of the Church to the subject at this time. We have had too much occasion of late to observe a growing laxness on the part of parents to the consequences of allowing their children to engage in the fascinations of the dance, and to visit such improper places as the Circus. That any who profess to be under the solemn vows of confirmation should enter into these things, is strange indeed ; yet such is the power of the world, and so various the wiles of the devil, that even such may be inclined to look with a favorable eye on what they may call "innocent recreations ;" — but we are of opinion that no consistent Christian parents can, under any circumstances, consent that their children should go to dancing schools, take part in dancing parties, or attend the Theatre or the Circus. And we base our opinion not on what these things may be in the abstract, or what they might possibly be made under certain circumstances, but on what they are, and what they must be, so long as dancing masters, dancers in general, and theatrical performers, make no profession of the obligations of the religion which we hold to be necessary for the happiness of our children, both here and hereafter. We would go to the bottom of this matter, and place the whole subject in the light of a "city set on a hill, that cannot be hid." Baptized children are folded in the arms of Christ, and placed in the bosom of the Church, which is his body, to be kept from the influences of an unsanctified world, and to be brought under all the holy and life-giving influences of the Church. They are, therefore, to avoid all things contrary to their profession, and to follow all such things as are agreeable to the same ; and as all experience and observation, and every one's self taught moral sense, shrinks from all places, amusements and companies, which are under the direction of those that know not God, and obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, it is perjury, and ruinous to all expectations of true piety, to sanction any amusements whatever of a public nature, which are not under the control and direction of those that fear God and love the Saviour. All evil communications corrupt good manners ; and what Christian does not find the moral atmosphere of fashionable watering places hurtful to the soul, and even the necessary intercourse of business with worldly men, deadening to the affections ?

As Christian parents, we hold that we have no right to put obstacles in the way of the salvation of our children, but on the contrary are under the highest obligations to take them by the hand and lead them to the house of God, and by our example and instruction, to help them in early life to become children of God, by faith in Christ Jesus, as well as by bringing them to the font, baptizing them into Christ, that so they may put on Christ ; and so long as the world reigns over the public amusements of society, we say as did St. Paul of the meat and wine, which, good in themselves, and good under other circumstances, were spoiled by being offered to an idol, or connected with an exploded Judaism, "touch not, taste not, handle not" Better to shut up ourselves in our houses and keep our children from knowing that there is a world outside of the walls of their own dwelling, than after baptizing them into the Church of Christ, leave them to the unsanctified influences of a world lying in wickedness. But it is a libel on the gospel to say it has no amusements which it can sanctify. Our Saviour went to a marriage at Cana of Galilee, where his mother had the direction of it, and the servants were told to obey him ; and so Christians have only to provide and control recreations, as well as instructions, for their children, and then all things can be done "decently and in order," and the temples of the Holy Ghost will not be defiled with idols, and our children may learn repentance for their first sin, and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, as soon as they believe in a parent's love.

[C.]

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

REPORT of HENRY B. CURTIS, Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio, to the 30th Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in said Diocese.

The undersigned, Treasurer, submits to the Convention the following Report, showing in tabular form, and (as to location,) in alphabetical order, the names of the several parishes; the amount rebated on arrears under the resolutions of the Convention; the amounts paid during the year by each parish, and the present arrears. The two funds stated separately:

| NAMES OF PARISHES.              | EPISCOPATE FUND.    |                       |                  | GENERAL FUND.       |                       |                  |
|---------------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------------|
|                                 | Rebated on arrears. | Paid during the year. | Present arrears. | Rebated on arrears. | Paid during the year. | Present arrears. |
|                                 | D. C.               | D. C.                 | D. C.            | D. C.               | D. C.                 | D. C.            |
| Ashtabula, St. Peter's.....     | 115 00              | 20 00                 | 45 00            | 18 00               | 5 00                  | 10 00            |
| Akron, St. Paul's.....          | 20 00               | 10 00                 | 30 00            | 2 00                | 2 00                  | 4 00             |
| Berkshire, Grace .....          |                     | 12 00                 | 46 00            | .....               | 3 00                  | 3 00             |
| Boardman, St. James' .....      | 18 75               | 38 75                 | .....            | 8 25                | 13 25                 | .....            |
| Boston, Bethel.....             | 2 50                | 2 50                  | 5 00             | 50                  | 50                    | 1 00             |
| Batavia, St. James' .....       |                     |                       | 6 00             | .....               | .....                 | 4 00             |
| Cincinnati, Christ Church ..... |                     | 250 00                | .....            | .....               | 50 00                 | .....            |
| Cincinnati, St. Paul's.....     | 202 00              | 175 00                | .....            | 50 00               | 30 00                 | .....            |
| Cincinnati, Trinity.....        | 5 00                | 25 00                 | .....            | 5 00                | 10 00                 | .....            |
| Cincinnati, Grace.....          | 64 00               | 35 00                 | 6 00             | .....               | .....                 | 15 00            |
| Cleveland, Trinity. ....        |                     | 59 00                 | 116 00           | 11 00               | 12 00                 | 20 00            |
| Cleveland, Grace.....           |                     |                       | 40 00            | .....               | .....                 | 5 00             |
| Columbus, Trinity.....          | 64 25               | 153 00                | .....            | 23 00               | 43 00                 | .....            |
| Columbus, St. Paul's.....       |                     | 40 00                 | .....            | .....               | 10 00                 | .....            |
| Chillicothe, St. Paul's.....    |                     | 90 00                 | .....            | .....               | 15 00                 | .....            |
| Cuyahoga Falls, St. John's...   | 15 00               | 40 00                 | .....            | 3 00                | 9 00                  | .....            |
| Circleville, St. Philip's ..... | 47 25               | 62 00                 | 8 00             | 15 50               | 13 00                 | .....            |
| Carlton, Zion .....             |                     |                       | 6 00             | .....               | 4 00                  | .....            |
| Columbia, St. Luke's.....       | 12 00               | 5 00                  | 3 00             | 2 00                | 2 00                  | 1 00             |
| Cross Creek, St. James' .....   | 4 00                | 24 00                 | .....            | .....               | 5 00                  | .....            |
| Delaware, St. Peter's.....      | 70 00               | 73 00                 | .....            | .....               | .....                 | 8 00             |
| Deersville, St. Albans' .....   |                     |                       | 5 00             | .....               | .....                 | 1 00             |
| Dayton, Christ Church.....      |                     | 50 00                 | 51 00            | .....               | .....                 | 51 00            |
| Dover, St. John's.....          |                     |                       | 25 00            | .....               | .....                 | 7 00             |
| Dresden, Zion.....              |                     | 8 00                  | .....            | .....               | 2 00                  | .....            |
| Elyria, St. Andrew's .....      |                     | 5 00                  | 33 00            | .....               | 2 00                  | 10 00            |
| East Liverpool, St. Stephen's,  | 1 75                | 2 25                  | .....            | 2 25                | 2 75                  | .....            |
| Euclid, St. Paul's.....         |                     | 5 00                  | .....            | .....               | 1 00                  | .....            |
| Franklin, Christ Church.....    |                     |                       | 15 00            | .....               | .....                 | 7 00             |
| Granville, St. Luke's.....      | 54 00               | 43 00                 | .....            | 6 00                | 10 00                 | .....            |
| Gambier, Harcourt.....          | 36 20               | 65 80                 | 30 00            | .....               | 4 00                  | 4 00             |

## TREASURER'S REPORT—Continued.

| NAMES OF PARISHES.                 | EPISCOPATE FUND.          |                             |                     | GENERAL FUND.             |                             |                     |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------|
|                                    | Rebated<br>on<br>arrears. | Paid<br>during the<br>year. | Present<br>arrears. | Rebated<br>on<br>arrears. | Paid<br>during<br>the year. | Present<br>arrears. |
|                                    | D. C.                     | D. C.                       | D. C.               | D. C.                     | D. C.                       | D. C.               |
| Greenville, St. Paul's .....       | 7 50                      | 7 50                        | .....               | .....                     | .....                       | 9 00                |
| Grafton, St. Stephen's .....       | 15 00                     | 10 00                       | .....               | .....                     | 2 00                        | 2 00                |
| Gallia county, St. David's..       | 2 00                      | 2 00                        | 5 00                | .....                     | .....                       | 1 00                |
| Huron, Christ Church .....         | 11 00                     | 14 00                       | 3 00                | 2 00                      | 4 00                        | .....               |
| Hudson, Christ Church .....        | .....                     | 15 00                       | .....               | .....                     | 4 00                        | .....               |
| Hamilton, St. Matthew's .....      | .....                     | .....                       | 5 00                | .....                     | .....                       | 1 00                |
| Jefferson, Trinity .....           | .....                     | 5 00                        | .....               | .....                     | 1 00                        | .....               |
| Kingston, St. James' .....         | 4 00                      | 3 00                        | .....               | 1 00                      | 1 00                        | .....               |
| Lyne, Trinity .....                | 7 50                      | 14 00                       | .....               | .....                     | .....                       | 4 00                |
| Liverpool, Christ Church .....     | 4 19                      | 7 19                        | .....               | 3 19                      | 3 81                        | 1 00                |
| Lower Sandusky, St. Paul's .....   | .....                     | .....                       | 29 50               | .....                     | .....                       | 3 00                |
| Lancaster, St. John's .....        | .....                     | .....                       | 30 00               | .....                     | .....                       | 8 00                |
| Marietta, St. Luke's .....         | .....                     | 25 00                       | .....               | .....                     | 5 00                        | .....               |
| Mt. Vernon, St. Paul's .....       | 40 71                     | 53 70                       | 20 00               | 8 00                      | 18 00                       | .....               |
| Massillon, St. Timothy's* .....    | 12 50                     | 47 50                       | .....               | 4 50                      | 9 50                        | .....               |
| Mill Creek, St. Mark's .....       | 17 50                     | 27 50                       | .....               | .....                     | 2 00                        | 5 00                |
| Medina, St. Paul's .....           | 12 00                     | 42 00                       | .....               | 2 00                      | 7 00                        | .....               |
| Madison, St. Matthew's .....       | 10 00                     | 20 00                       | .....               | 4 00                      | 4 00                        | .....               |
| Maumee, St. Paul's .....           | .....                     | .....                       | 70 00               | .....                     | .....                       | 11 00               |
| Milan, St. Luke's .....            | .....                     | 5 00                        | .....               | .....                     | 1 00                        | .....               |
| Newark, Trinity .....              | 57 00                     | 50 00                       | .....               | 13 00                     | 14 00                       | .....               |
| Norwalk, St. Paul's .....          | .....                     | 35 00                       | .....               | .....                     | 6 00                        | .....               |
| Newton Falls, St. Mark's .....     | .....                     | .....                       | 20 00               | .....                     | .....                       | 4 00                |
| Ohio City, St. John's .....        | .....                     | 15 00                       | 44 00               | .....                     | 4 00                        | 32 00               |
| Painesville, St. James' .....      | 7 50                      | 7 50                        | 35 00               | 4 50                      | 4 50                        | 6 00                |
| Piqua, St. James' .....            | 36 56                     | 92 00                       | .....               | 6 00                      | 12 00                       | .....               |
| Portsmouth, All Saints' .....      | .....                     | 60 00                       | .....               | .....                     | 10 00                       | .....               |
| Plymouth, St. Matthew's .....      | .....                     | 5 00                        | .....               | .....                     | 1 00                        | .....               |
| Pentfield, Christ Church .....     | .....                     | 2 00                        | .....               | .....                     | .....                       | 2 00                |
| Pittsfield, Calvary .....          | .....                     | .....                       | 4 00                | .....                     | .....                       | 2 00                |
| Rome, St. Peter's .....            | 1 00                      | 1 00                        | 1 00                | .....                     | .....                       | 4 00                |
| Springfield, Christ Church .....   | .....                     | 15 00                       | .....               | .....                     | 4 00                        | .....               |
| Steubenville, St. Paul's .....     | .....                     | 50 00                       | 59 00               | 12 00                     | 22 00                       | .....               |
| Strongsville, St. Philip's .....   | .....                     | .....                       | 60 00               | .....                     | .....                       | 7 00                |
| Sandusky City, Grace .....         | .....                     | 40 00                       | .....               | .....                     | 7 00                        | .....               |
| Springfield, St. John's .....      | .....                     | .....                       | 5 00                | .....                     | .....                       | 1 00                |
| St. Clairsville, St. Thomas' ..... | .....                     | 5 00                        | .....               | 2 50                      | 3 50                        | .....               |
| Sydney, St. Mark's .....           | .....                     | .....                       | 4 00                | .....                     | .....                       | .....               |
| Troy, Trinity .....                | 37 50                     | 16 00                       | 6 50                | .....                     | 50                          | 24 50               |
| Toledo, Trinity .....              | .....                     | .....                       | 45 00               | .....                     | .....                       | 6 00                |
| Unionville, St. Michael's .....    | .....                     | 2 00                        | 4 00                | .....                     | 1 00                        | 4 00                |
| Utica, St. Paul's .....            | .....                     | .....                       | 4 00                | .....                     | .....                       | 4 45                |
| Worthington, St. John's .....      | 40 00                     | 14 00                       | 3 00                | .....                     | 3 00                        | 6 52                |
| Warren, Christ Church .....        | .....                     | .....                       | 20 00               | .....                     | .....                       | 4 00                |
| Wooster, St. James' .....          | 27 00                     | 25 00                       | .....               | 11 00                     | 8 00                        | .....               |
| Wakeman, St. John's .....          | 5 00                      | 8 50                        | 1 20                | .....                     | .....                       | 7 00                |
| Windsor, Christ Church .....       | .....                     | .....                       | 6 00                | .....                     | .....                       | 4 00                |
| Zanesville, St. James' .....       | 61 50                     | 147 50                      | .....               | .....                     | .....                       | 12 00               |
|                                    |                           | 2,172 99                    |                     |                           | 413 36                      |                     |

\* \$5 overpaid.



## STATEMENT No. 1.

## EPISCOPATE FUND.

## THE TREASURER, DR.

To total amount paid into the Treasury during the year..... \$2,172 99

## CONTRA CR.

By amount paid to Bishop McIlvaine, on and before 21st  
January, 1847, to satisfy a balance due him on last  
year's salary, deficit at last report..... \$458 93  
By amount paid to Bishop on salary of the present year,  
(see sundry receipts,)..... 1,714 06  
\$2,172 99

## STATEMENT No. 2.

Amount of Bishop's salary for the present year ..... \$2,000 00  
Amount paid to him as above..... 1,714 06  
\$285 94

## STATEMENT No. 3.

## GENERAL FUND.

## THE TREASURER, DR.

To total amount paid into the Treasury during the year..... \$413 36

## CONTRA CR.

By sundry bills and accounts paid by the Treasurer, at sundry dates,  
during the year, (see vouchers,) viz:

To Williams & Andrews, for paper for printing Journal... \$17 50  
Paid bill of expenses at Convention ..... 10 00  
Stationery and letters to parishes in relation to arrears.. 15 00  
Paid Bishop balance on old account, for postages and  
other expenses..... 14 88  
Copies of Treasurer's report and tables for publication.. 3 00  
Amount of Rev. J. Muenscher's bill for transcribing  
records ..... 29 85  
Paid G. W. Myers on bill for publication of Journal for  
1845 ..... 144 68  
Paid Mr. Muenscher on expenses getting out last Jour-  
nal ..... 28 90  
Paid Bishop for diocesan postage and expenses on visita-  
tions, present year..... 33 84  
Balance in the Treasury to the credit of General Fund,  
to be carried into new account ..... 115 71  
\$413 36

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY B. CURTIS,  
*Treasurer of the Diocese of Ohio.*

September 11, 1847.



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**CONSTITUTION AND CANONS****OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE DIOCESE OF OHIO.****CONSTITUTION.****ARTICLE I.**

This Church, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to and adopts the Constitution of that Church, and acknowledges its authority accordingly.

**ARTICLE II.**

There shall be a Convention of the Church in this Diocese on the second Thursday after the first Wednesday in September, of every year, unless otherwise provided by a preceding Convention, and at such place as shall in like manner be provided. But if the place should not be appointed by the preceding Convention, it shall be determined by the Bishop of the Diocese; or in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, by the Standing Committee. The Bishop, with such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall at any time be duly assembled in Convention, shall constitute a quorum, provided, that in a case of vacancy in the Episcopate, or of the absence of the Bishop, such clergymen and lay-delegates as shall duly assemble, constitute a quorum, but in the latter case only so far as to adjourn to the next day, when, if the absence of the Bishop continue, the business of the Convention shall proceed.

**ARTICLE III.**

The Convention shall be composed of Clergymen and Laymen. The Bishop, and every Minister of this Diocese canonically in charge of a congregation in union with this Convention — or employed as a Missionary under the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese — or regularly engaged as an instructor in any incorporated Seminary of learning, or who is prevented by age and infirmities from the public services of the ministry, shall be members of this Convention, provided that they can show that they have been at least six months in the Diocese as above required. Each regularly organized church or congregation in canonical union with this Church, shall send to the Convention one or more lay-delegates, not exceeding three, unless when two or more congregations or churches are united under one vestry, when delegates, as above provided, may be sent from each. The delegates of each congregation or church shall be entitled to one vote only. No person under ecclesiastical censure or process shall be entitled to a seat in the Convention.

**ARTICLE IV.**

The Bishop shall have power to call Special Conventions when he may judge it important to the good of the Church, or when applied to for that purpose by the Standing Committee; and in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, or the continued absence of the Bishop from the Diocese for six months, the Standing Committee shall have power to call a Special Convention, and shall do so, if applied to for the purpose by any five Presbyters or Vestries of the Diocese.

**ARTICLE V.**

The Bishop shall preside in the Convention, and shall open, or cause it to be opened with prayer. If there be no Bishop present, the Convention shall be called to order by the Secretary, and shall elect a President from among the Presbyters.

## ARTICLE VI.

At every Annual Convention, after a *viva voce* nomination, a Secretary shall be chosen who shall remain in office until the next Annual Convention. His duty shall be to take minutes, and record all proceedings of the Convention; to attest its public acts—preserve its records—notify the parishes of the times and places of all stated and special Conventions, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor, all books and papers relative and belonging to the Convention, which may be in his charge.

## ARTICLE VII.

Officers of the Convention, Delegates to the General Convention and members of the Standing Committee, shall be elected by joint ballot of the clergy and laity, and a majority of votes shall be required for an election. In case of a failure or omission to elect any officers or annual committee, the persons last elected shall continue to serve till others be chosen. Elections by ballot may be dispensed with by a unanimous vote of the Convention.

## ARTICLE VIII.

The Standing Committee shall be chosen at each Annual Convention, and shall consist of three Clergymen who are Presbyters, and of three Laymen who are communicants in some church in the Diocese. The officers of said committee required by the 4th Canon of the General Convention, shall be appointed at their first meeting. Any three of the committee, the whole being summoned, provided one be a Presbyter, shall be a quorum for the transaction of business when convened at the request of the Bishop. At all other meetings, a majority of the members shall be necessary to a quorum. It shall be the duty of the secretary of this committee to keep a faithful record of all proceedings in a book provided for that purpose, to preserve the originals of all papers or letters addressed to the committee, to attest their acts, and to deliver to his successor all books and papers which in virtue of his office have been committed to him. The minutes of the committee and all papers in their hands relative to the Church, shall be subject to the examination of the Bishop and of the Convention. Vacancies occurring in the committee shall be supplied by vote of the remaining members.

## ARTICLE IX.

The election of a Bishop of this Diocese shall be made in an Annual Convention—or in a Special Convention called for that purpose at least sixty days before the time appointed, the object being stated by notice in writing, and sent by the secretary of the Standing Committee to every clergyman and vestry of the Diocese. The election shall be conducted as follows: The clergy shall vote by ballot for some suitable person for the office of Bishop, and a majority of the clergy present shall determine the choice. A nomination thus made shall be communicated to the lay-members, who shall proceed to vote by ballot whether to receive or reject it, a majority of whom shall be necessary to confirm the election.

## ARTICLE X.

The clergy and lay delegates in Convention shall deliberate in one body, and shall vote as such on all questions not otherwise provided for; except when a vote by Orders is called for by five members. In such case, the concurrence of both Orders shall be necessary to give validity to a measure—and on every question the votes of a majority of those present, or, if required by five, the votes of a majority of those present of the two Orders, respectively, shall decide.

## ARTICLE XI.

The mode of altering this Constitution shall be as follows: A proposition for amendment shall be laid before the Convention in writing, and if approved, shall lie over till the next Annual Convention, and if then approved by two-thirds of the two Orders voting separately, the change shall take place; and the Constitution thus altered shall be obligatory.

## C A N O N S .

## CANON I.

*Of the Trial of a Clergyman not being a Bishop.*

SECT. 1. Whenever any Presbyter or Deacon of the Diocese shall be thought to be guilty of any misconduct for which, according to Canon XXXVII. of the General Convention, he is liable to be tried, application shall be made in writing, with the name of every one engaged in the application subscribed, to the Standing Committee, and if it appear to them that the evidence is sufficient to demand a trial, they shall forthwith present the clergyman to the Bishop, accordingly; the presentment being made in writing, and specifying with as much accuracy as possible, the offence or offences, with particulars of time, place and circumstances; and every clergyman of this Diocese may for himself request of the Standing Committee the inquiry provided for in this section, in which case it shall be instituted and shall proceed according to the provisions of this Canon.

SECT. 2. Presentment being made, the Bishop shall cause a copy of the presentment to be served on the accused, and shall also nominate eight Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and cause a list of their names to be served on the accused, provided that no member of the Standing Committee who may have joined in the presentment be included in such nomination. Out of the Presbyters so nominated, the accused shall select five and notify their names in writing, to the Bishop, within thirty days after the serving aforesaid. And if he does not give such notification within said time, the Bishop shall select five, and the Presbyters so selected, shall form a Board for the trial of the accused, and shall meet at such time and place as the Bishop shall direct, and shall have power to adjourn from time to time and from place to place, (but always within this Diocese,) as they shall think necessary.

SECT. 3. A written notice of the time and place of the first meeting of the Board shall be served, at least thirty days before such meeting, on the accused; and also on the Standing Committee, who by their President, or one of their number whom they may appoint for the purpose, shall prosecute the case and present such oral or documentary evidence to substantiate the accusation as they may be able to obtain.

SECT. 4. If at the time of the first meeting of the Board, the whole number be not present, then those present may adjourn from time to time; and if it shall appear improbable that the whole number will attend within a reasonable time, those who do attend, being not fewer than three, shall proceed to trial, and a majority shall decide all questions and render judgment.

SECT. 5. If a Clergyman presented shall, before the appointment of a Board for his trial, confess the truth of the facts of which he is accused, the Bishop may immediately proceed to pass sentence; if he shall not thus confess, he shall be considered as pleading *not guilty*.

SECT. 6. In case a clergyman, presented and notified as above directed, shall not appear before the Board appointed for his trial, the Board may proceed as if he were present, unless they shall see fit to adjourn till another day. And if the accused shall neglect or refuse to appear before the Board, after due presentment and notification, and no sufficient reason for such neglect or refusal be given, the Board shall report him to the Bishop for contumacy, and sentence of suspension from the ministry shall pass against him accordingly; but the sentence may be reversed by the Bishop, if within three calendar months the accused shall tender himself ready, and accordingly appear and receive his trial; but if he shall not so tender himself, the Bishop, in view of the acts alleged in the presentment, shall proceed, if he think proper, to pass sentence of degradation from the ministry.

SECT. 7. At their first meeting the Board shall choose a President from their own number, and a Secretary who shall be from their own number or otherwise, as they determine, and before proceeding to trial they shall adopt

and declare the rules by which the trial shall be conducted ; provided, however, that no layman shall advocate for either party in the trial — though both parties may, at their option, employ or consult legal or other advisers.

SECT. 8. When the Board proceed to trial, they shall hear such evidence as may be produced — which evidence shall be reduced to writing by the Secretary, and signed by the witnesses respectively ; and some officer authorized by law to administer oaths may, at the desire of either party, be requested to administer an oath or affirmation to the witnesses ; and the examination of witnesses, and all the proceedings of the trial, shall be in public, if desired by the accused.

SECT. 9. Application being made to the Bishop by either party, setting forth, satisfactorily, that any material witness cannot be procured upon the trial, the Bishop may appoint some clergyman or layman to act as a commissioner to take the testimony of such witness ; and the party applying as above shall give to the other party at least five days' notice of the time and place of taking the testimony. And if the person or persons on whom the notice shall be served reside more than forty miles from the place of examination, an additional day's notice, exclusive of Sunday, shall be given for every additional twenty miles of the said distance. And both parties may attend and examine the witness ; and the questions and answers shall be reduced to writing and signed by the witness, and shall be certified by the Commissioner, and enclosed under his seal and transmitted to the Board and received by them as evidence. A witness examined before such commissioner may be sworn or affirmed in manner aforesaid.

SECT. 10. The Board, after considering the evidence, shall declare in a writing signed by them, or a majority of them, their decision on the charges contained in the presentment, distinctly stating whether they find the accused guilty or not guilty of such charges respectively ; which decision, together with the evidence and an attested record of all the proceedings, shall be delivered to the Bishop, accompanied with an opinion of the Board as to what sentence should be pronounced ; whereupon the Bishop shall pronounce such sentence as shall appear to him to be proper, provided the same do not exceed in severity the sentence recommended by the Board, and such sentence shall be final. But the Bishop, if satisfied that justice requires it, may grant a new trial to the accused ; in which case a new Board of Presbyters shall be appointed, including none of those who sat upon the former trial, before which Board the proceedings shall be conducted as before provided.

SECT. 11. If the Bishop of the Diocese be connected by consanguinity or affinity with the party accused, he may request some other Bishop to express his judgment on the decision of the Board, to which judgment the Bishop of the Diocese shall conform in passing sentence or granting a new trial. And if the Diocese be vacant, the members of the Standing Committee shall request the services of such Bishop as they may find most convenient for the performance of all such acts as are by this Canon required to be done by the Bishop of the Diocese.

## CANON II.

### *Of the Vestry of a Church.*

SECT. 1. In every church of this Diocese, after prayer, there shall be an annual election, on Easter Monday, of a Vestry, consisting of not less than five, and not more than ten members, who shall continue in office till their successors are appointed. Two of these vestrymen shall be designated on the ballot to serve as Wardens ; one of whom shall be designated the Senior Warden of the Parish, who, in the absence of the Rector, shall preside at meetings of the Vestry. In his absence the Junior Warden shall preside. The Vestry shall elect a Secretary, whose duty it shall be to take and record the minutes of their proceedings, attest the public acts of the Vestry, preserve all records and papers belonging to the Parish, perform such other duties as shall be legally assigned him, and faithfully to deliver into the hands of his successor all books and documents belonging to the Parish that may be in his possession.

SECT. 2. In electing a Vestry, no person shall be entitled to vote who has

not signed the Articles of Parochial Association, and who is not a holder or renter of one entire pew; and when two or more persons shall hold or rent a pew, they shall be entitled jointly to one vote; nor shall any person vote in a parish of which he is not a bona fide member. In those parishes in which there are no pews held or rented, or where pews are held subject to no tax or assessment, no individual shall be entitled to vote who is not a contributor to the church to such an amount as the respective parishes shall appoint.

SECT. 3. No person shall be elected a Vestryman who is not a pewholder, or a qualified voter in the parish for which he is elected, and a bona fide member thereof.

SECT. 4. It shall be the duty of the Vestry to take charge of the property of the Church, to regulate all its temporal concerns, to elect and call a Minister and provide for his maintenance, to keep order in the Church during the celebration of divine worship, and, in general, to act as helpers to the Minister in whatever is appropriate to laymen, for the furtherance of the gospel; it being understood, always, that the spiritual concerns of the Church are under the exclusive direction of the minister, in subordination to the ecclesiastical authority and laws of the Diocese.

It shall be the duty of the Wardens especially, to provide the elements for the Lord's Supper—to collect the alms at the administration of the same, to keep and disburse such alms in case the Church is destitute of a minister—and while the Church is destitute of a minister, to provide for the celebration of public worship and the instruction of the congregation, by occasional clerical services or by lay-reading as the circumstances may permit.

Meetings of the Vestry shall be called by the Rector, or in his absence by the Senior Warden; and the Rector, or in his absence, the Senior Warden shall call meetings at the request of two members of the Vestry. And the Vestry may adjourn from time to time at their pleasure.

(Parishes now incorporated are excepted from any parts of this Canon interfering with their Articles of Association or By-laws.)

### CANON III.

#### *Of the Admission of a Church or Congregation into Union with the Protestant Episcopal Church in this Diocese.*

To enable a Church or Congregation to be received into union with the Church in this Diocese, it shall be necessary that the Vestry submit to the Convention their Articles of Association; or, if incorporated, their Charter, or a copy thereof, duly authenticated according to law; and further that it be made to appear that such Church or congregation has acceded to the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States and the Constitution and Canons of this Diocese. A certificate shall also be produced from the Bishop—or in case of his absence or of a vacancy in the Episcopate—from a majority of the Standing Committee, that notice was given him or them, at least one month before the Convention, of the organization having taken place.

### CANON IV.

#### *Of Attendance on Convention, and Requisites for the Admission of Lay-Deputies.*

It shall be the duty of all clergymen, entitled to seats in the Convention, to attend the same, and of every church or congregation in union with the Church in this Diocese, to send one or more Lay-Delegates to the Convention, not exceeding three, who shall be chosen by the Vestry from among the communicants of the church or congregation to be represented, and shall exhibit to the Convention a certificate signed by the Secretary of the Vestry, or by the Rector, or by one of the Wardens, in substance as follows:—

This is to certify that at a regular meeting of the Vestry of Church,                      held on the                      day of                      A. B., who is a communicant of good standing in said Church, was appointed a Lay-Delegate to represent the same in the Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, to be holden on the                      day of                      in the year of our Lord                      Signed

Parishes already incorporated are excepted from so much of the above Canon, as would interfere with their articles of Incorporation or Association.

## CANON V.

*A List to be made of the Ministers in the Diocese.*

SECT. 1. Within one week before the meeting of every Convention of this Diocese, the Bishop shall cause to be prepared a List of the Ministers canonically resident in the Diocese, annexing the names of their respective Cures or Parishes or stations as Missionaries; or of the institutions of learning duly incorporated, in which they are engaged—and in regard to such as are not engaged in parishes or missions, or institutions of learning as above, their places of residence only,—specifying at the same time who of any class are Deacons: but no clergyman, while suspended from the ministry, shall have a place on such list. And such list shall be laid before the Convention, immediately after it shall have been called to order, and the names of the clerical members called therefrom. The same shall be appended to the Journal and sent to the Secretary of the General Convention.

SECT. 2. When the right of any Clergyman to a seat in the Convention is disputed, it shall be determined according to the provisions of the third article of the Constitution, by the Convention itself, whether his name be inserted in the list aforesaid, or omitted.

## CANON VI.

*Of Parish Registers and Parochial Reports.*

SECT. 1. Every Clergyman of this Diocese shall keep a Register of all the Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages and Funerals, solemnized by him, or in his parish by any other Episcopal Minister: specifying the names and times of birth of the children baptized, together with the names of the parents and sponsors; the names of the adults baptized, and also of the witnesses of the baptism; the names of those confirmed, and by whom; the names of the parties married, and of persons buried; and also the time of each rite respectively. This Register shall be kept by the Minister, in a book kept for that purpose, and belonging to the Vestry of the Church which he serves: which book shall be called the Parish Register, and shall be considered as a part of the records of the Parish.

SECT. 2. In addition to the register above named, the Minister of each Parish shall keep a list of the communicants and of families within his cure, specifying the time when the former became communicants of the Church under his charge, and whether by removal from the communion of some other Church or otherwise.

SECT. 3. Every Minister of this Diocese shall, on or before the day of every annual Convention, present or send to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the President of the Convention, a statement of the condition of the Parish, according to such form as shall be furnished by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese.

## CANON VII.

*Of Vacant Congregations.*

Whenever a parish becomes vacant, it shall be the duty of the Vestry immediately to give notice to the Bishop.

## CANON VIII.

*Of Deputies to the General Convention.*

The Convention shall elect, at a regular annual meeting, according to the provisions of the 7th Article of the Constitution, four clergymen, out of Presbyters entitled to seats in the Convention, and four laymen, who shall be in good standing as communicants in some church in union with the Diocese, to act as deputies from this Diocese to the General Convention; which deputies shall continue in office until their successors are chosen. And it shall be the duty of the deputies elect to signify to the Bishop, on some day at least three weeks before the meeting of the General Convention, whether they will attend or not to the duties of their office. In default of which signification, or in case of the declining of any to attend the General Convention, the Standing Committee, on notification from the Bishop, shall proceed to appoint



as many clerical or lay deputies as may be necessary to constitute a full representation of the Diocese; and the person or persons so delegated, being furnished with the certificate of the Secretary of the Standing Committee, shall have all the rights of deputies elected by the Convention. In case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, the notification on the part of the deputies elect, above required, shall be made to the President of the Standing Committee.

#### CANON IX.

##### *Of Lay Readers.*

None shall be considered as authorized to officiate as a Lay Reader in this Diocese, except in cases of particular emergency, without a written license from the Bishop; or, in case of a vacancy in the Episcopate, from the Standing Committee; and Lay Readers shall in all cases conform to the provisions of the 11th Canon of the General Convention.

#### CANON X.

##### *Of preparing a Report on the State of the Church.*

In order to carry into effect the recommendation contained in the 51st Canon of the General Convention, a committee of the Convention of this Diocese shall be appointed at a regular meeting of the same, next before every stated meeting of the General Convention, to draft, with the advice and approbation of the Bishop, a report of the state of the Church, to be presented to the General Convention.

#### CANON XI.

##### *Of the Secretary of the Convention.*

SECT. 1. In addition to the duties assigned to the Secretary of the Convention in the 6th article of the Constitution, it is made his duty to send to the minister, or in case there be no minister, to the wardens of each parish in union with the Convention, not less than four weeks before the next meeting of the Convention, a notification of the time and place of the said meeting, together with the form of a parochial report; and a form by which to certify the appointment of lay deputies, together with the assessment laid upon the parish for the expenses of the Diocese.

SECT. 2. He shall transmit annually to each of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and to the Secretary of every Diocesan Convention, a copy of the Journal of the Convention of this Diocese, as well as of any charge or pastoral letter recently published, and to the General Convention a certificate of the appointment of clerical and lay deputies.

#### CANON XII.

##### *Of the Treasurer of the Convention.*

SECT. 1. At every stated Convention there shall be elected a Treasurer of the Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive and disburse all moneys collected under the authority of the Convention, and of which the collection and distribution shall not be otherwise regulated. His accounts shall be rendered annually to the Convention and examined by a committee of the same.

SECT. 2. In case of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, it shall be supplied by a person chosen by the Standing Committee, who shall continue in office until an election is made by the Convention.

#### CANON XIII.

##### *Of Missions, and of Education for the Ministry.*

SECT. 1. The Church of Christ being essentially a missionary institution, and every part thereof pledged by the Christian profession to the support of the missionary work; and the education of young men for the ministry being absolutely necessary to the furtherance of the Gospel in the same work, it is solemnly urged upon every member of the Church that he consider his Christian profession as involving direct obligation to promote these objects.

**SECT. 2.** It shall be the duty of every minister in this Diocese to instruct the people of his charge in relation to these objects. And it is recommended to every member of the Church to lay by him, on the first day of the week, in store for these purposes, as God hath prospered him, according to the apostolic direction: — 1 Cor. xvi. 1.

**SECT. 3.** There shall be appointed, at each annual meeting of the Convention, a committee, consisting of the Bishop of the Diocese, *ex-officio*, and eight other members — four clerical, four lay — elected by ballot, to be called the Missionary and Education Committee; to whom shall be committed the appointment and regulation of beneficiaries, the appointment of missionaries, and missionary stations, and the making of all appropriations of money for either object.

**SECT. 4.** It shall be the privilege of the contributors to designate to which purpose, and also to which branch of the missionary cause, if such be the designation, their contribution shall be applied. If no designation be made, it shall be at the disposal of the Committee.

**SECT. 5.** The Bishop of the Diocese shall preside in all meetings of the Committee when he is present; if absent, a chairman *pro tem.* shall be appointed.

**SECT. 6.** The Committee shall meet annually, at the place, and on the first day, of the annual Convention of the Diocese, and at such other times and places as the President may from time to time appoint, or as may be found convenient on their own adjournment. Four attending members shall be a quorum; and every meeting shall be opened with prayer.

**SECT. 7.** No beneficiary or missionary shall be appointed without the written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese, or in case there be no Bishop, of the Standing Committee of the same; which consent shall be entered on the minutes.

**SECT. 8.** At every annual meeting of the Committee, the Secretary of the same shall submit a report of the transactions of the year then terminated; which, with the Treasurer's report of the receipts and expenditures, shall be laid before the Convention, and published in its Journal, either entire or in part.

**SECT. 9.** The Committee shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be *ex-officio* members of the Committee. Vacancies during the recess of the Convention may be supplied by the Committee. No moneys shall be paid by the Treasurer, but by an order of the Committee, signed by the President.

#### CANON XIV.

##### *For the Support of the Episcopate.*

**SECT. 1.** Every minister shall, on or about the first day of March of every year, solicit the sum of one dollar from each communicant, whom he may deem able to pay the same, and transmit the amount so obtained to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

**SECT. 2.** On or about the first day of September of each year, the Vestry of every parish shall, through their parish collector, or otherwise, solicit from every householder or pewholder, who is not a communicant, the like sum of one dollar, to be transmitted forthwith to the Treasurer of the Diocese.

**SECT. 3.** Out of the sum so received the Treasurer shall pay to the Bishop the sum of two thousand dollars per annum; the sum to be paid in equal semi-annual instalments.

#### CANON XV.

##### *Of Lay Discipline.*

**SECT. 1.** Any communicant who shall absent himself for one year from the communion, without reasons satisfactory to the Rector, may be suspended from the communion.

**SECT. 2.** Upon the application of any communicant not under ecclesiastical censure, to the minister of his parish, or in case there be no minister, to the senior, or in his absence the junior warden, for that purpose, it shall be



the duty of such minister or warden to give such applicant a certificate of good standing as a communicant. And no communicant of one parish shall be admitted to record as a communicant in any other, without producing satisfactory testimonials of being a communicant in good standing, to the minister of the parish with which he or she may wish to unite. But in case such minister or warden shall, in consequence of the applicant being under censure, refuse to give such certificate, he shall give to the applicant the reasons for his refusal in writing.

## CANON XVI.

### *Of Contingent Expenses.*

There shall be annually assessed by the Convention, upon the several parishes in the Diocese, according to their ability, an amount sufficient to defray the contingent expenses of the Church. The money thus raised and paid into the treasury of the Convention shall be applied to the following objects: 1. To defray the traveling expenses of the Bishop to the General Convention. 2. To pay the postages of the Bishop. 3. To pay the quota assessed on the several churches in the Diocese by each General Convention, for the contingent expenses thereof. 4. To pay for publishing the Journals of the Convention, and such other documents as may be ordered by the Convention. 5. To defray the traveling expenses of the clerical delegates to the General Convention, not exceeding fifty dollars to each delegate. 6. To pay the traveling expenses of presbyters attending ecclesiastical trials.

## CANON XVII.

### *Of Alterations in the Canons and Additions thereto.*

No proposition to alter or add to the Canons of the Diocese, shall be considered by the Convention, except at a stated meeting, and after one day's notice thereof, given in open Convention; nor (unless by unanimous consent,) until it shall have been reported on by a committee of at least two clergymen and two laymen. Nor shall such alteration or addition be adopted during the same Convention, if two-thirds of the members present shall not concur therein; but in such case the same (unless negatived by a majority of the votes,) shall lie over for consideration till the next annual meeting of the Convention.

## CANON XVIII.

### *Repealing of former Canons.*

All former Canons of this Convention are hereby repealed.

## [ E. ]

### **RULES OF ORDER.**

- I. The business of every day shall be introduced by prayer.
- II. When the President takes the chair, no member shall continue standing, or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the Chair.
- III. After the first day, the minutes of the preceding day shall be read each morning, corrected, if necessary, and approved. Before the rising of the Convention the whole proceedings of the sittings shall be read.
- IV. No member shall absent himself from the service of the House, unless he have leave, or be unable to attend.
- V. At the opening of the Convention, when the President has taken the chair, the Secretary of the preceding Convention, if present—if not, some other person appointed by the Chair—shall call the names of the Clergy entitled to seats, and enter on the minutes the names of those present. He shall then call the names of the parishes entitled to representation; and the Lay

Delegates of each parish shall place their certificates on the Secretary's table ; after which the President shall declare the Convention to be duly organized and ready to proceed to business.

VI. The first business of the Convention shall be the election by ballot of a Secretary, who shall have power to appoint an assistant. After which the President shall appoint—1st, *A Committee of Examination*, to consist of two clergymen and one laymen, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the right of membership and certificates of Lay Delegates, and incorporation of Churches, and their admission into union with the Convention. 2nd, *A Committee on Unfinished Business*, to consist of one clergyman and one layman. After the Committee of Examination has reported the names of the Lay Delegates entitled to seats in the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees: *A Committee of Finance*, to consist of one clergyman and two laymen ; to whom shall be referred the Treasurer's report and Assessment of the parishes, and all matters of a financial nature not specifically referred to any other committee. 2nd, *A Committee on Missions*, to consist of two clergymen and one layman, to whom shall be referred the report of the Missionary and Education Committee of the diocese, and all other matters pertaining to these subjects. 3d, *A Committee on Canons*, to consist of two clergymen and two laymen, to whom new Canons and all alterations and amendments of existing Canons shall be referred.

VII. When any member is about to speak or deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

VIII. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

IX. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

X. Every member who shall be in the House when any question is put, shall, on a division, be counted, unless he be personally interested in the discussion.

XI. A question being once determined, shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not again be drawn into debate, unless it should be on a motion for reconsideration, which motion can only be made by a member voting in the majority on the question proposed to be reconsidered.

XII. No motion shall be considered as before the House, unless seconded, and, when required, reduced to writing. }

XIII. When a motion is under consideration, no other motion shall be made, except to amend, to divide, to commit or postpone it ; but a motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided before the original motion.

XIV. All committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

XV. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves his chair.

XVI. Clergymen belonging to the Diocese but not entitled to seats in the Convention, Clergymen of the Protestant Episcopal Church not belonging to the Diocese, and candidates for holy orders in the same, shall be admitted to the sittings of the Convention, and their names entered on the Journal, but without the right of taking any part in its proceedings.

XVII. The foregoing Rules of Order shall be deemed and considered the Rules of Order of all future Conventions, unless altered or rescinded, and the same shall be published in the Journal of each Convention.

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### Form for the Organization of Parishes in the Diocese of Ohio.

We whose names are hereunto affixed, deeply impressed with the importance of the Christian religion, and earnestly wishing to promote its holy influence in the hearts and lives of ourselves, our families and our neighbors,

do hereby associate ourselves together under the name and style and title of the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ Church, in the township of \_\_\_\_\_ county of \_\_\_\_\_, and State of Ohio: and by so doing do adopt the Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

N. B. After twenty persons shall have signed the above, a meeting of the same may be called on ten days' notice. Wardens and Vestry being chosen and recorded, together with the minutes of the meeting, in a book to be thereafter kept as a parish register; a notification should be immediately sent of the formation of the parish to the Bishop; which notification should include a certified copy of the minutes of the meeting, the form of association, the name of the parish with those of the Wardens and Vestry. Steps should be taken as soon as possible to have the parish incorporated. At the next Convention of the Diocese, the parish should apply by one or more delegates, or by some clergyman of the Diocese, to be admitted into union therewith; for which purpose the same papers as are required by the Bishop should be sent to the Convention, certified by the clerk of the parish.

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The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Ohio, will be held in Trinity Church, Columbus, on Wednesday, the 13th day of September, 1848.

WILLIAM C. FRENCH,

*Secretary.*







